

James Wood Is New Executive Of BJC

WASHINGTON (BP) — James E. Wood Jr., professor of history of religion at Baylor University, Waco, Tex., has been named executive director of the Baptist Joint Committee on Public Affairs here.

In accepting the position, Wood, 49, pledged to develop a new image and a broader role for the Baptist agency in the nation's capital.

"While there are no doubt many who regard the role of the Joint Committee as a mere lobby for the protection of various Baptist interests and institutions, I sincerely hope that this

image will be significantly changed in the years ahead," Wood wrote in his letter of acceptance.

The new executive explained his desire that the future of the Baptist Joint Committee "be understood in terms of a concrete commitment of Baptists to religious liberty and the role of the church in public affairs based on the sanctity of human rights in a free society.

"May no one fail to understand," Wood declared, "that our commitment is first to rights, not interests, and to persons, not to institutions, as applied to all men and not just a few."

Wood, who is chairman of Baylor's J. M. Dawson Studies in Church and State in addition to teaching history of religion at the Baptist school, will begin his new duties Sept. 1, according to Warren R. Magnuson, general secretary of the Baptist General Conference and chairman of the Baptist Joint Committee.

Wood succeeds C. Emanuel Carlson who retired in 1971 after 17 years as executive director. Carlson now lives in Dundee, Fla.

John W. Baker, director of research services for the Baptist Joint Committee, has served as acting executive director since Carlson's retirement.

Magnuson reported that Wood was elected "both unanimously and enthusiastically" at a special meeting on the Baptist Joint Committee during the meeting of the Southern Baptist Convention in Philadelphia on June 7. Announcement of his election was made after Wood gave his formal acceptance.

"The Baptist Joint Committee feels," Magnuson said, "that the new executive director brings to this office the background of experience and breadth of understanding in the field of public affairs that will continue the significant and growing influence which the committee experienced under its past leadership."

The Baptist Joint Committee is a denominational agency maintained here by nine national Baptist bodies in the United States and Canada.

The committee is authorized by its sponsoring conventions "to act in the field of public affairs." This mandate covers the general area of church-state relations, religious freedom and separation of church and state.

Further, the Baptist Joint Committee is instructed to inform Baptists of

20,000 Baptists At Explo '72

By Jean Harrison

DALLAS (BP) — Explo '72, the most massive gathering of students and Christian laymen ever descend on any one city, sought to start a movement toward the evangelization of "the world in our generation."

That slogan became the marching orders of some 80,000 delegates to a week-long Christian training conference here, sponsored by Campus Crusade for Christ International.

Delegations represented all 50 states and some 68 foreign countries. The international student congress on evangelism was the brainchild of Bill Bright, Campus Crusade founder and president.

Bright had nurtured the dream of such a meeting since his participation in the World Congress on Evangelism in Berlin in 1966, sponsored by Evangelist Billy Graham.

Estimates of Southern Baptist participation in the meeting ranged from 17 to 25 percent of the total delegation.

But that was only a minuscule measure of the involvement of Southern Baptists, many of whom worked behind the scenes providing housing, leadership, counsel and tangible assistance such as financial aid for students unable to pay their own way.

In response to an all-out appeal for private housing and sleeping spaces,

Pioneer Missions Group Seeks Added Montana Aid

The Mississippi Baptist Pioneer Missions Committee, in a called meeting recently at the Baptist Building in Jackson, adopted a plan that would provide for continuing and even increased support of Baptist work in Montana.

Rev. J. W. Brister, of Gulfport, committee chairman, said that the plan would be submitted to the meeting of the Mississippi Baptist Convention in November for final approval.

Mr. Brister, in pointing out the need for increased financial assistance, said that "there are many wonderfully dedicated Baptist pastors and laymen in strategic places trying to build strong witnesses for Christ in Montana."

"Many of these suffer a severe handicap in not being able to fully support their work in a manner which will stimulate growth and give the pastor freedom from other vocational jobs so that he may give full time to his ministry."

Continuing, he said that "many Mississippi Baptists were already helping and that the plan to be sub-

mitted in November would make it possible for a considerable increase in mission support for this work."

The Pioneer Missions Committee, assisted by Convention and local leadership in Montana have made a study of the needs of churches there.

"This study reveals the need for continuing outside financial support for a number of years to permit the work to get a foot-hold and grow to where it can be self-sustaining," according to Dr. W. Douglas Hudgins executive secretary-treasurer.

One example of the need was discussed by the Committee last week. The need was brought to the Committee by G. Crawley Stubblefield who, with his wife and son, are giving their services to the Baptist mission at Harlowton, Montana, this summer. The Stubblefields are members of First Baptist Church in Jackson, where they are active in the total program of the church. Upon his retirement a little more than a year ago, Mr. Stubblefield purchased a mobile home so they might render

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The Statue of Liberty Provides An Imposing Reminder Of Independence Day, 1972

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Thief At SBC Gets Scriptural Surprise

PHILADELPHIA (BP) — A would-be thief received a dose of biblical admonition in a totally unexpected manner during the recent annual meeting of the Southern Baptist Convention here.

The episode occurred when David Clanton of Dallas, staff photographer for the Baptist General Convention of Texas, missed an expensive camera. Clanton was in Philadelphia to operate the darkroom for the SBC press room.

Putting himself in the shoes of a criminal, Clanton surmised the culprit might have decided to hide the camera on the premise and carry it out later undetected by guards.

Sure enough, amid the debris beneath a stairwell, he found the camera wrapped in old rags.

He replaced it with a water-filled bottle about the same size and shape. On the bottle, Clanton wrote "THIEF MUST STOP HERE."

Reaction Roundup

Baptist Editorials Are Agreed: It Was A Good Convention

By Jim Newton

NASHVILLE (BP)—Chalk up an editorial first for the Baptist state papers: for once they were agreed in their evaluation of an annual meeting of the Southern Baptist Convention.

The 1972 session in Philadelphia was described almost unanimously by nearly two dozen Baptist state papers as "a good convention" — one with a minimum of divisive debate and a maximum of peace and harmony.

And most of them further agreed the convention steered down the middle of the road theologically, veering neither to the left or right, while at the same time dealing with some vexing issues from a Christian perspective.

The decisive action of the convention to defeat a motion to withdraw the statement on the SBC's position on the Vietnam War was another example of the harmony shown at the Philadelphia meeting.

The convention "won't go down as one of the most sensational meetings

in SBC history," wrote the editor of the Christian Index in Georgia, "but it will be remembered as one of the most consistently constructive SBC sessions in many a day."

Strongest words of commendation for the convention came from the Kentucky Western Recorder which opined that the 1972 session would be recorded "as one of the most significant conventions in our history."

Most of the editorials commented on the spirit and attitudes of the messengers. "Give Southern Baptists a good conduct mark for their behavior in Philadelphia," wrote the Ohio Baptist Messenger. Numerous others agreed.

It was one of the best spirited conventions in the past five years, added the Maryland Baptist. "Instead of 'feudin', fussin', and fightin', Southern Baptists debated the issues in the best of Christian attitudes," the Maryland Baptist added.

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Rev. Kenneth Stringer, pastor of Wesson Church, standing in front of the building, says "Yes, we are to be in the Enlargement effort . . . thanks for the promotion in the state."

Sunday School Campaign

Hats Off To The Past-Coats Off To The Future!

By John Alexander

Director Stewardship Department
In traveling over the state in recent days, I get the distinct impres-

sion from what they say that the pastors of the state are delighted with the state conventions return to a priority on reaching people.

The brethren seem to feel that we have spent enough time in analysis and now it is high time that we get back to using the Sunday School to discover, reach, teach, win and educate people.

The whole spirit of the church is uplifted and a rebirth of enthusiasm generated as enrollment rises, baptisms increase, and giving grows!

Christians need to be interested in many concerns, but when they neglect the major concern of reaching people, other concerns eventually begin to grow dim and diminish.

Jesus came on a people search and still blesses the churches that follow his example.

Increasingly across the state, superintendents of missions are hearing from pastors and church leaders.

They say, "Count us in" on the survey and enlargement effort.

The time has come for Mississippi Baptists to take their "Hats off to the past and their coats off to the future."

Get "The Spirit of '72 — Enlargement NOW!"

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Luther Rice Honored; New England Churches Started

NORTHBORO, Mass. (BP) —Southern Baptist leaders, including Owen Cooper in his first official role as president of the Southern Baptist Convention, paid tribute to Luther Rice as the founder of Baptist foreign mission efforts in America by mounting a plaque at his birthplace here.

The next day four Southern Baptist churches in the New England area were constituted.

Luther Rice and Adoniram Judson were appointed in 1812 as Congregational missionaries to India.

On separate ships during the six month voyage, both changed their views on the ordinance of baptism and when they reached India they were baptized and resigned as Congregationalist missionaries.

They offered their services to the Baptists who, at that time, had no missionary program in foreign countries.

Rice returned to the United States to raise aid for Judson who remained in India. He traveled throughout the eastern United States to create an interest in foreign missions.

The plaque calls Rice a denominational statesman, journalist, and educator. He founded Columbia College in Washington, D. C., now George Washington University.

He was instrumental in establishing the Triennial Convention, the Baptist General Tract Society, and in "the uniting of scattered Baptist churches into a Baptist denomination."

The building where the plaque was mounted is on the site of the home where Rice was born. It is now the home of Elmer Sizemore, Baptist Home Mission Board missionary and missions director for the New England area.

The adjacent property is the proposed site for offices of what will be the Baptist General Convention of New England when it is once organized.

The day after the plaque mounting ceremony, four churches were added to the roster of Southern Baptist churches in New England.

Nashua Baptist Church, near Screven, N. H., was only the second Southern Baptist church to be constituted in New Hampshire.

With 97 people, the church has mostly an indigenous membership and weekday ministry to 100 kids.

In Lewiston, Maine, Baptists constituted "The Chapel" with 40 members. It is a trailer parked on a shopping center parking lot.

The Chapel has baptized 25 people since its inception four years ago and it is open all day with a counseling center and a library operated by pastor Gordon Thomas.

An order of worship is printed for shoppers who stop by for prayer or inspiration.

The Chapel is the fifth Southern

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Mrs. Geo. Martin, Former WMU President, Dies

NORFOLK, Va. (BP) — Mrs. George R. Martin, former president of Southern Baptist Woman's Missionary Union and of the Women's Department of the Baptist World Alliance, died here June 15.

Mrs. Martin had been in declining health for more than a year and had recently suffered a heart attack.

Funeral services were held Saturday, June 17, at the Freeman St. Baptist Church, Norfolk, where Mrs. Martin was a member.

Services were conducted by William L. Lumpkin, pastor of the church, assisted by Miss Alma Hunt, executive secretary of SBC Woman's Missionary Union.

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NO PAPER NEXT WEEK

According to custom there will be no issue of the Baptist Record next week. Please watch for the next issue which will be dated Thursday, July 13.



More Than 200 Lose Lives In Rapid City, S. D. Flood

RAPID CITY, S. D. — (BP) — Volunteer workers help clear the debris in the aftermath of one of the nation's worst natural disasters. More than 200 lives were lost and \$100 million in property damage when Rapid Creek flooded in Rapid City, S. D. June 9 (the creek is 100 yards away in the background). Southern Baptists immediately offered monetary and physical assistance. The HMB provided \$3,000 for immediate relief and the Brotherhood Commission sent three teams of electricians, carpenters and plumbers into the beleaguered city.

The American Red Cross, coordinating rescue-relief efforts in Rapid City, gave Southern Baptists as well as other denominations office space in operational headquarters in order to better coordinate relief activities. The SBC and the Red Cross have a long-established working relationship for disaster relief. The Red Cross expects to spend more than \$3 million in South Dakota and additional contributions are needed.



DALLAS—More than 75,000 Explo '72 delegates jam the Cotton Bowl for an evening rally during the evangelistic training conference. All the seating in the stadium, plus

the playing field surface plus closed circuit TV transmission to surrounding buildings were utilized to accommodate the huge crowd.—(RNS Photo.)

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a number of Southern Baptist families, churches and institutions joined Dallas - Fort Worth area citizenry in opening their doors and their hearts to the youthful delegates.

Baylor University Medical Center provided some 150 sleeping spaces. Several Dallas - Fort Worth Baptist churches offered their facilities for groups who bedded down on thousands of air mattresses that had been flown in. Sleeping bags and cots filled the bill for others.

For one unforgettable week in Dallas, a city learned what it was like to be inundated by what Evangelist Billy Graham, honorary Explo chairman, called the "Silenced majority."

Graham noted that national attention had centered on radical, militant youth and, in effect, silenced the majority of responsible young people — the kind who came to Explo '72.

The orderliness and courtesy of the delegation as a whole drew praise from both Dallas daily newspapers and local police.

Duncan Accepts Pastorate Of First Church, Picayune

Rev. Bill Duncan has resigned the First Baptist Church of Brandon, effective June 30, to become pastor of the First Baptist Church of Picayune.

Mr. Duncan began as interim pastor at Brandon February 1968, while serving as Director of Advertisment and Circulation for the Baptist Record. The church

Mr. Duncan called him as pastor which he accepted July 1, 1968. He will have completed four years of service at the church.

The First Baptist Church of Brandon has made significant growth in all areas under his leadership. The church has grown in membership by having 346 person to join the church during these 4 years with 81 of these by baptism.

The budget was \$84,992. when he began and now operates with a budget of \$135,000.00. The Cooperative Program gifts have increased from \$8,520.00 in 1968 to a 13.5% of all funds going into the general fund which will amount to more than \$16,200.00 for this year.

The church adopted Miss Emogene Harris who serves in Nigeria as its missionary by paying the salary figure agreed upon by the Foreign Mission Board.

The staff has been enlarged until now there is a full time secretary, a minister of music and youth director and organist.

The present facilities have been renovated and additional land purchased for future development.

Mr. Duncan is from Pascagoula. He is a graduate of Mississippi College and New Orleans Seminary. He is married to the former Marion Duckworth and they have three children: John 9, Mark 4½ and David 2½.

During the time that Mr. Duncan was pastor at Brandon he has been active in many civic affairs. In 1970 he was given the Distinguished Service Award as the outstanding young man by the Brandon Jaycees.

He is a Rotarian. For several months now he has served on the planning commission of the City of Brandon in an effort to help plan future development of the city.

In the denomination, Mr. Duncan has served faithfully for 6 and one half years. He has written a weekly Sunday School Commentary for the Life and Work Curriculum, which has a vast reading audience.

He has served as an associate in the State Baptist Sunday School Department. Later he became the Director of Circulation and Advertising for the Baptist Record. Presently he is a member of the Christian Action Commission and the Baptist Record Advisory Committee. He has been on several association and convention committees.

Noting that Explo delegates "have made a great impression on the people of Dallas," the Dallas Morning News said, "They have come here to learn how to carry the message of their faith. And from the looks of it, they have already begun to get the message across."

The week combined 15 hours of morning training conferences in Christian witnessing techniques and optional seminars in the afternoons with opportunities for delegates to practice what they had learned on the Dallas citizens.

In pairs and in groups, students and laymen dispersed throughout the city in a door - to - door campaign to share their Christian faith in downtown streets and suburban shopping centers.

They confronted and often repeatedly bombarded Dallas sites with the gospel message outlined in simple terms in Campus Crusade's palm - sized booklet and major evangelistic tool — the "Four Spiritual Laws."

Even Graham unexpectedly took to the streets during the noon hour one day in an unscheduled appearance, addressing hundreds of people who gathered on a small downtown Dallas mall and hippie haven to hear the famed Southern Baptist evangelist.

Later, he donned casual clothes — golf cap and dark glasses — to stroll unannounced through "Tent City." Hundreds of Explo delegates, including many California "Jesus People," had pitched tents on the sprawling 38 - acre tract of camping ground and conference site between Dallas and Fort Worth.

At night, Tuesday through Friday, the scene shifted to the Cotton Bows, where the singing, clapping and exuberant delegates all came together for mammoth "Jesus Rallies."

Bright delivered the main address at three of the services. Graham, who officially welcomed the delegates at the opening rally and appeared on each of the Cotton Bowl programs, was featured speaker at the final service on Friday night.

At times, particularly the first night, the rallies took on the look of a gigantic pep rally for Jesus.

Delegates often delayed the program for lengthy intervals, chanting such phrases as "Praise The Lord" and "Jesus Saves," pointing their

index fingers heavenward symbolizing that "Jesus is the only way."

Explo's grand finale came on Saturday when a strip of unfinished freeway, cordoned off near the downtown area, became the scene of an eight - hour - long Jesus music festival. It drew an estimated crowd of 150,000 persons and created traffic congestion for miles around.

Singers Johnny Cash and Kris Kristofferson were two of the heavyweight attractions on the program. Also included were country and western vocalist Connie Smith, and performers as diverse in style as the Speer Family and Jeff Fenhold of the Jesus Christ Superstar cast.

Graham had earlier described the gathering as a "Christian Woodstock," a phrase picked up by the more than 200-member press corps covering the event.

But a Woodstock it wasn't. The drug scene spectre that the term connotes never materialized in Dallas. The rally was practically incident-free, much to the relief of Dallas police officers, who publicly praised the orderliness of the crowd.

In a news conference following Explo, Graham described the week-long meeting as a "historic event."

"Thousands have committed themselves to carry back the message to home town across the world," he said, referring to Explo's "Operation Penetration." This project is targeted on a five - to - one follow - up, with each Explo participant charged with the task of recruiting five others to help "Evangelize the world" in 1980.

Although the total evaluation of Explo will take years, Graham said, "it's position in church history will come. It will have an impact on every denomination in the United States."

Graham told newsmen he was surprised at the decorum of the group and the noticeable absence of fringe groups.

Rumors abounded of possible anti-war demonstrations at the music festival but they never got off the ground.

The bill for Explo was \$2.4 million, with most of it expected to be financed through registration fees.

MURDERS, ROBBERIES, rapes, major thefts, and serious assaults increased 176% between 1960 and 1971. Population gained 13% in that period. Of 5,568,197 grave crimes reported in 1970 only 20% were solved. (Source: "The National Observer.")

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this type service for the Lord.

They worked last summer at Kalispell, Montana. Upon arriving at Harlowton, these "missionaries" found that the work which is about two years old was about to collapse. The primary reason is that the church has not had continuing pastoral leadership.

The Harlowton mission is sponsored by the Trinity Baptist Church at Billings, Montana, 90 miles away.

Laymen from that church have conducted the worship services in a rented store-front building at Harlowton.

A contact with the pastor of Trinity Church revealed that a young minister, recently graduated from Midwestern Baptist Theological Seminary and with a bachelor's degree in agriculture, has indicated an interest in working in a farming-ranching area such as Harlowton.

The Pioneer Missions Committee voted to send a message of encouragement to Trinity Church at Billings to call this young minister who has said he would be willing to work on a ranch to partly support himself and his family.

The Committee, through friends, has been able to assure the Billings congregation of some money, (\$800.00), to help move the minister to Harlowton, if he accepts.

The Committee is very hopeful that other monies will be available, maybe even on a continuing support basis for this worthwhile work. Harlowton is a town of 1400 serving a wide area of farms and ranches. It is a strategic place for a Christian witness through Baptist mission support from Mississippi.



Gov. Bill Waller is seen with several of the Alta Woods group just after designating the Alta Woods Church Choir of Jackson as goodwill ambassadors to Central America from the State of Mississippi before they left. From left, Dr. Charles Myers, pastor, Bill Pharr, minister of music; Melanie Bingham; Gov. Waller and Shane Fortenberry.

Alta Woods Choir On Concert Mission Tour To Central America

Twenty - five young people from Alta Woods Baptist Church left Tuesday Morning, June 20, for a two-week concert - mission tour of Central America.

Invited by the Southern Baptist Convention's Foreign Mission Board, this group from the church's youth choir will be singing in several cities in five Central American countries.

Some of the cities to be visited included Tegucigalpa, Honduras; San

SBC Home Mission Board Fills Missionary Slots

ATLANTA (BP) — The Southern Baptist Home Mission Board appointed eight career missionaries and promoted a missionary associate to full missionary status.

But the total of missionary personnel under appointment by the board remained at the figure of 2,220.

"For the most part, the appointments are filling vacancies from death or resignation," said Cecil Etheredge, secretary of the board's department of missionary personnel.

"The basic need is for financial resources for all those qualified to go. We can't get new positions into focus until funds become a reality," Etheredge observed.

"Our primary emphases will always be for people to minister to people, but we cannot send more people until we have the funds to budget," he said.

Three couples are among the new career missionaries; Charles and Glenda Tilton, appointed to Rochester, N. Y.; C. T. and Sylvia Cunningham, to Pratt, Kan.; and Roy and Faye Godwin to Philadelphia, Pa.

New appointees also include Nancy Mattox to Atlanta, and Maria Whittaker who will join her husband, language missionary Fermin Whittaker, in Pico Rivera, Calif.

James P. Pittman, director of the Fillmore Baptist Center in San Francisco, was promoted from missionary

associate to career missionary. He will continue as director of the Fillmore Center.

Pittman, a Holmes County, Fla., native, is a graduate of Mississippi College, Clinton, Miss., and Golden Gate Baptist Theological Seminary, Mill Valley, Calif.

Also a Christian social-ministries appointee, Miss Mattox was assigned temporarily to the Clark - Howell - Techwood Baptist Center in Atlanta for training.

Mrs. Whittaker will work with her husband, language missionary Fermin Augustin Whittaker, in Pico Rivera, Calif.

Natives of Baileyboro, Tex., the Cunninghams were appointed by the department of church extension as pastoral missionaries to the First Southern Baptist Church in Pratt, Kan.

An Elizabeth, La., native, Tilton is pastor - director of Rochester Baptist Church in Rochester, N. Y., under appointment of the church extension department. Former pastor of Gibsland, La., First Baptist Church, he is a graduate of Louisiana Tech University, Ruston, La., and Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Fort Worth. A Grenada, Miss., native, Mrs. Tilton is a graduate of Mississippi College, Clinton, Miss., and attended Southwestern Seminary.

Godwin is serving as pastor - director of the Frankford Avenue Baptist Church in Philadelphia.



Gentry Cox Jarvis Waldrop Woodward

Mississippians Graduate From Southern

LOUISVILLE, Ky. — Six Mississippi students were among 189 graduates who received degrees during May 29 commencement at The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary here. Rollin S. Burhans, pastor of First Baptist Church in Bowling Green, Ky., delivered the commencement address and George Beverly Shea, "America's Beloved Gospel Singer," presented special music.

The following Mississippi students are listed by their degrees. Master of Divinity: Louis Bennett Burghard of Crystal Springs; Jefferson Henry Gentry of Columbia; Hubert E. Jarvis of Fulton; Russell G. Waldrop of Jackson; Charles Alan Woodward of Hattiesburg. Master of Religious Education: James Larry Cox of Greenwood. (Photo credits Burghard not available.)



Charleston Group To Make Choir Tour

The youth choir of the First Baptist Church, Charleston, under the direction of Don Boyett, is shown boarding the new church bus for choir tour to New Orleans. Rev. Kelly Dampeer is the pastor.

E. J. Daniels Team To Lead County Wide Meet In Pascagoula

Dr. E. J. Daniels and a team of workers will be in Pascagoula at the Jackson County Fairgrounds nightly at 7:00 p.m. from July 2-16 for a county - wide crusade under the sponsorship of Jackson County Baptists.

A giant canvass cathedral will be set up with provision made for the expected overflow in attendance.

Ferrell Brakefield, music director for the Daniels Evangelistic Team, will be leading the congregational singing and the choir. He will be singing special solos each night.

Organist will be Mr. John Bos, native of the Netherlands. Mr. Bos began his musical studies at the age of 5, and after coming to the United States at the age of 10, continued his musical studies.

Tom Lester, "Eb" of television's "Green Acres," as well as Dale Evans, wife of Roy Rogers, have been invited to be special guests.

Ann Fairchild is to be the ventriloquist for the children's services at 7:15 P.M. nightly. Youth services will be at 7 P.M. nightly.

Rev. W. R. Storie, Sr., is in charge of area prayer meetings as well as special prayer meetings in the homes. Nursery facilities will be provided at the Fairgrounds beginning at 6:45 P.M. nightly and will close fifteen minutes after the benediction. Children three years of age and under will be cared for by the nursery leaders.



Dr. James E. Wood

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governmental activity affecting "true relations between church and state and the right application of Christianity to the life of the nation."

In announcing the new executive director, Magnuson said that the "representatives of the Baptist fellowships across the United States and Canada are deeply concerned and committed to the role of the Baptist Joint Committee... we look to it for guidance to both government and church agencies in their mutual relationships and responsibilities in ministering to the human needs of our society."

Since 1955, Wood has been on the faculty of Baylor University. The J. M. Dawson Studies in Church and State, which he heads, is named for the first executive director for the Baptist Joint Committee. Dawson served as head of the agency from 1946-1953.

Before going to the Baylor faculty, Wood served as professor of religion and literature at Seinan Gakuin University in Japan from 1951 to 1955. At Baylor he has been chairman of the faculty - student exchange program between Baylor University and Seinan Gakuin University.

Among other responsibilities, Wood was the first director of the Baylor University Honors Program for superior students, founder and sponsor of World Emphasis Week, president of the Baylor Chapter of the American Association of University Professors and chairman of the school's annual Conference on Church and State.

Wood has been editor of Journal of Church and State from its founding in 1950. Since 1956 he has served as chairman of the graduate degree program in church - state studies.

The new Baptist Joint Committee executive has lectured on more than a dozen college and seminary campuses on subjects relating to the history of religion and church and state.

A member of the Commission on Religious Liberty and Human Rights of the Baptist World Alliance, Wood has participated in many denominational and interfaith conferences on behalf of religious liberty. His interest in religious liberty has been expressed also through conferences of the World Council of Churches, the National Conference of Christians and Jews and the Evangelicals in Social Action Peace Witness seminar.

Wood is a sponsor of "Christians Concerned for Israel: People, Land, State," which in turn is sponsored by the Commission on Faith and Order of the National Council of Churches in collaboration with the secretariat for Catholic-Jewish relations.

Wood's concern for civil and religious liberties has been expressed through many organizations including the National Committee for Amish Religious Freedom, the National Committee for Restoration of Blue Lake Lands of Taos Indians, the American Civil Liberties Union, the Texas Civil Liberties Union and American United for Separation of Church and State.

He has been a prolific contributor of articles to scholarly journals and denominational publications. He has been a author, contributor or editor of more than 10 books.

A native of Portsmouth, Va., Wood is a graduate of Carson - Newman College, Jefferson City, Tenn.; Columbia University, New York; and Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville. He has earned master of arts, master and doctor of theology degrees, plus two bachelor's degrees. He has also done graduate study at Yale University and the Naganuma School of Japanese Studies in Tokyo.

The nine Baptist conventions sponsoring the Baptist Joint Committee on Public Affairs are the American Baptist Convention, Baptist Federation of Canada, Baptist General Conference, National Baptist Convention of America, National Baptist Convention, USA Inc., Progressive National Baptist Convention, North American Baptist General Conference, Seventh Day Baptist General Conference, and Southern Baptist Convention.

Romanian Baptists Baptize Over 4,000

The Baptist Union of Romania recently held its first national conference seven years. Although such conferences had normally been held every three years, they have in recent years been restricted by the government.

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land paper noted.

The Indiana Baptist praised the absence of the "political rally" atmosphere of the last four years, saying: "cat-calls and name-calling were not heard like those which dominated

the 1970 Denver convention for example."

An editorial in the Rocky Mountain Baptist of Colorado observed that the messengers "were either less concerned, more apathetic, more pleased than not with the way things are go-

ing, or just didn't care, than those attending prior conventions."

A half-dozen editorials agreed that the action on the Broadman Bible Commentary should reaffirm Southern Baptists' middle-of-the-road theological position, and should not be interpreted as a shift to either left or right.

"The Philadelphia Convention brought Southern Baptists back to a broad, center position which a diverse body must hold if it is to function with any degree of harmony and purpose," noted the North Carolina Biblical Recorder.

Both the Baptist Record of Mississippi and the Baptist Messenger of Oklahoma pointed out that the action on the Broadman Bible Commentary should not be interpreted as a shift from theological conservatism to theological liberalism. Both editorials were entitled, "Southern Baptists Are Still Conservative."

The Mississippi Baptist Record argued that the commentary action was not the most important action of the convention, was not a turn toward liberalism, and was not an endorsement of the commentary. Instead it was simply a rejection of a move to recall the commentary after it has been completed, the Baptist Record noted.

The Georgia Christian Index called the commentary action "easily the most rewarding vote of the entire convention." Added the Kentucky Western Recorder: "Baptists who returned from Denver in 1970 and St. Louis in 1971 heavy hearted and discouraged left Philadelphia in 1972 with happy hearts and renewed confidence for the future of the witness of Baptists in today's world."

Why was the commentary motion, offered by Gwyn Turner of Los Angeles, defeated? The editorials gave several reasons.

The Indiana Baptist cited four, none theological: (1) few Baptists have read the commentary and it will have little effect on the denomination's life; (2) the motion was too big and was an over-exaggeration to claim 12 volumes were out of harmony with Baptist views; (3) the messengers were tired of dealing with the issue after three years; and (4) the motion was promoted in advance by an organized group.

The Oklahoma Baptist Messenger agreed with the last two reasons, but added a third: the convention was telling the Sunday School Board they expected them to deal with the issue, not the convention.

Carl Bates' address to the convention with setting the tone for the convention that led to the defeat of the commentary motion. Bates dealt with the commentary issue in his presidential address, "courageously and eloquently," noted the Maryland Baptist. The result was that the motion, predicted to be the big bang of the convention, ended up more like a whimper," said the Maryland editorial.

The Baptist state papers also played a role in the defeat of the motion by printing the motion in advance, editorializing against it, and giving the messengers information in advance on which they could make their decisions with analysis and reflection, rather than in the heat of debate, pointed out the Louisiana Baptist Messenger.

On another convention action, a four-to-one vote rejecting restructure a proposal to abolish the SBC Stewardship Commission and assign its work to the Executive Committee, most editorials agreed the convention wanted to see the entire restructure proposals for all agencies, rather than dealing with the report piecemeal.

Colorado Editorial Quoted
The Colorado editorial said there was objection to the committee's procedure, and that the committee exercised poor public relations. Colorado, Louisiana and Maryland editorials proposed that the committee be expanded to become a convention committee, rather than a committee of the SBC Executive Committee.

The Capital Baptist of the District of Columbia, most vocal opponent of the restructure proposals, went a step further. It proposed that the restructure committee be dissolved, and its assignment be transferred to a new convention committee.

Pointing out that such committees don't win popularity contests, the (Texas) Baptist Standard, which editorially supported the restructure proposals, expressed doubt of future recommendations' success because of possible attacks by agencies bent on survival. "The committee definitely needs to be more explicit as to the reasons for its recommendations. It needs better dialogue before making them final," the Texas paper said.

At least three editorials speculated that the Stewardship proposal was defeated because the messengers feared centralization of power in the SBC Executive Committee.

Concerning another recommendation adopted to require a two-thirds vote for the convention to consider immediately any motion from the floor dealing with internal work of SBC agencies, the Indiana Baptist, which opposed the motion, said it will be interesting to watch the frustration which come next year when the bylaw takes effect.

"No one can justly claim to have been gagged or mistreated by those

entrusted with guiding the convention deliberations," pointed out the Kentucky paper. Such charges were made by several papers last year following a bylaw interpretation which led to the adoption of the new bylaw 17.

At least a dozen editorials were unanimous in their praise of Carl Bates as president of the convention.

The Illinois Baptist wrote an open letter to Bates, entitled "Dear Carl," praising him for his leadership. "You helped to swing our convention back to its major purpose," the editorial said.

Several papers called Bates' presidential address "a masterpiece," and cited its role of bringing unity to the convention. The Virginia Religious Herald called it the most effective the editor recalled hearing.

"That he was interrupted eight times with applause proves beyond question that the messengers were with him," added the Maryland Baptist.

The Indiana Baptist credited Bates with shifting the bitterness of the Denver convention (1970) to the peaceful spirit of Philadelphia (1972), and said Bates would be remembered as one of the greatest presidents of the convention.

Cooper Receives Comment
A dozen editorials also commended the election of Owen Cooper, a layman from Yazoo City, Miss., as the new convention president.

"Mr. Cooper is another moderate voice who has shown quiet courage and unique creativity in his own state and at almost every level of Southern Baptist leadership," observed the Georgia paper. "He is another who won't lead Baptist off on any wild tangents of ultra-extremism in any direction."

Described as "the denominational dynamo from Mississippi" by the South Carolina editorial, Cooper's style was contrasted to that of Bates by the Baptist New Mexican. Cooper is a "driving, creative, innovative person" who is used to issuing orders to a vast industrial complex, the New Mexico paper noted.

Several editors said that 13 years was too long to wait for election of a layman as president, but the wait was worth it with Cooper's selection.

Nomination of a woman for president, and a black for vice president drew little comment in the editorials. "Apparently Southern Baptists aren't ready for a woman president," said the Maryland paper. The Indiana paper predicted, however, that "before too many years pass, Southern Baptists will have their first woman president."

A constitution amendment introduced to limit the term of SBC president to one year and select a president-elect as vice president drew off-setting comments. The Colorado paper liked the idea, but the South Carolina editorial said it would be "unwise and potentially divisive to have a future president waiting in the wings."

There was also mild disagreement among the editorials on the significance of resolutions adopted by the convention.

An editorial in the Oklahoma paper called the resolutions relevant and said they dealt with today's issues, such as Vietnam, alcohol and drug problems, welfare reform, tax reform, anti-semitism, political involvement, television and movie pornography, and government support of religion.

The Ohio and New Mexico editorials agreed, pointing out the 36 resolutions from the floor set a new record. "These are definite indications of the directions being advanced by a new generation," the New Mexico paper said.

In contrast, the Virginia Religious Herald wrote that the biggest negative of the convention was "the excessive number of relatively trivial resolutions." Many of them are expressions of personal concern and do not merit the time and effort of the messengers, the editorial observed.

"It did appear that some had more sound than substance," agreed the Baptist and Reflector of Tennessee. Added the Indiana Baptist: "It is questionable whether the time and anguish involved in presenting, discussing, amending and voting on resolutions are worth the value achieved."

The Alabama Baptist, whose editor Hudson Baggett was on the committee that met for 20 hours to consider resolutions, said that hopefully the SBC Executive Committee will consider recommending some changes of procedure in handling resolutions.

Philadelphia was both praised and mildly chided as a host city. Several editorials appreciated the cordial reception of the people in the "city of brotherly love."

But several others lamented the lack of news coverage, the long distance between hotels and the auditorium, the inadequate sound system of the auditorium, and the high prices of food.

There was, however, a noted lack of criticism and grumbling in most of the editorials commenting on the convention. They seemed to agree: it was a good convention.

"It just could be that the convention is coming of age, and that it will exert an increasingly stable influence upon a society which needs Jesus Christ so desperately, and apart from whom there is no answer," summoned up the Tennessee Baptist and Reflector.

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Watt Carter, left, presented Rev. Sam Mason the keys to this Chevrolet Caprice as a gift from the Colonial Heights Baptist Church during ceremonies of the "Brother Sam Appreciation Day" June 11, 1972.

"Bro. Sam Day" Observed At Colonial Heights

June 11 was officially designated as "Bro. Sam Day" at Colonial Heights Baptist Church, in Jackson, a day set aside to commemorate the 16 years he faithfully served as their pastor.

The morning service was the setting for this special event and included many out-of-town relatives and friends as well as in-town guests. Special verbal tributes were made by Bob Marchetti, W. C. Smith, Jr., and R. P. Travis, and selected music was provided by the Youth Choir. A large, framed portrait of Bro. Sam was unveiled to the congregation to be hung permanently in the church.

Many special gifts were presented

during the course of the service, among which were a bound volume of letters of appreciation from present and former members and the keys to a new Chevrolet Caprice.

After a brief sermon, delivered by Paul Nunnery from the Baptist Village, "Bro. Sam" and family stood in front to personally receive members and guests, then afterward a covered dish luncheon was served.

Planning for the designated "Special Day" was under the leadership of Watt Carter, chairman, assisted by R. P. Travis, Jim White, Carl Boutwell, Mrs. Dot Pray, Mrs. Jerri Frith, Mrs. Barbara Barnes, Mrs. Helen McMullen, T. G. Blackwell.

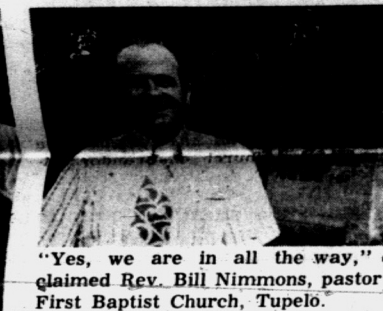
Sunday School Campaign

Hats Off To The Past - Coats Off To The Future!

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"We are in the program — Our new Supt. of Missions, Rev. Finley Evans is leading..." according to Rev. Donnie Stewart, pastor of Coffeeville Church (left) and Rev. Johnny Parks, pastor at Camp Ground Church.



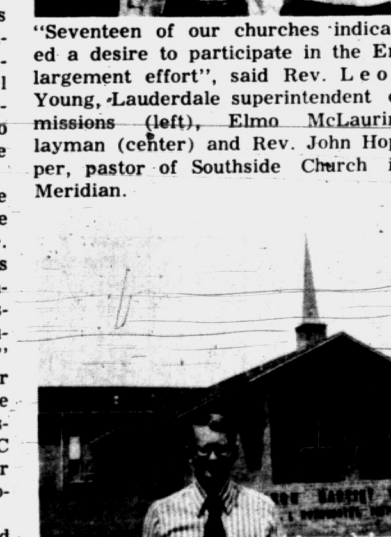
"Yes, we are in all the way," exclaimed Rev. Bill Nimmons, pastor of First Baptist Church, Tupelo.



"Seventeen of our churches indicated a desire to participate in the Enlargement effort," said Rev. Leon Young, Lauderdale superintendent of missions (left), Elmo McLaurin, layman (center) and Rev. John Hopper, pastor of Southside Church in Meridian.



"We are excited... I am personally grateful... an unparalleled outreach and teaching opportunity," said Rev. Eugene Dobbs, pastor, McLaurin Heights Baptist Church in Rankin.



"Survey in July, Enlargement in August, and Training in September... These are our plans..." says Rev. Clyde Little, pastor of Forest Baptist Church.



"...an open door of outreach through the Sunday School... we will survey and enlarge..." it was said by Rev. Charles Dampier, pastor of Easthaven Church, Brookhaven.

SEVERAL MISSISSIPPIANS ON STAFF AT GLORIETA BAPTIST ASSEMBLY

GLORIETA, N. M. — Freda Stovall, Oxford; Carol Tew, Meridian; Stanley McCall Henriques, Jr., Jackson; Beverly Henderson, Kosciusko, are employed on the summer staff at Glorieta Baptist Assembly this year.

Work assignments at the assembly include office work, conference room maintenance, dining hall, guest accommodation and other services needed during the season.

Glorieta Baptist Assembly is located on a 2,500-acre mountain site 18 miles east of Santa Fe, N. M.

Luther Rice - - -

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Baptist church constituted in Maine and was the last mission there.

Holden Baptist Church in Massachusetts constituted with 80 charter members including 17 awaiting baptism.

Northshore Baptist Church in West

Peabody of greater Boston had been a mission of Metropolitan Baptist Church in Boston until its constitution.

With seven churches constituted in New England in 1971 and four more in one swoop, Wendell Belew, Home Mission Board director of the Division of Missions said, "New England is one of our fastest growing pioneer areas."

All Mississippi Baptists Invited To Join In Honoring SBC President

First Baptist Church of Yazoo City, Mississippi

Honoring

Owen Cooper

President, Southern Baptist Convention

Sunday, the ninth

Three to five o'clock

Grand Avenue at Fourth Street

Mrs. George Martin Dies

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sionary Union and by Miss Carrie Vaughan, executive secretary of Virginia WMU.

Mrs. Martin, 78, was a native of Hampton, Va. In her younger years she served on the board of managers of the Settlement House for Foreigners and for five years was superintendent of the Portsmouth Association WMU.

She served as president of WMU of Virginia 1926 - 31 and 1934 - 46, a total of 17 years. She served from 1929 to 1933 as the first convention-wide WMU stewardship chairman.

Mrs. Martin was elected president of WMU, SBC, in 1945 by the WMU Executive Committee, acting in a year when war prevented a WMU annual meeting from being held. She was re-elected president annually until 1956.

During her tenure the number of WMU organizations grew from 41,227 to 79,101. Membership grew from 739,360 to 1,345,153. The Lottie Moon Christmas Offering for Foreign Missions quadrupled and the Annie Armstrong Home Missions Offering more than doubled.

Mrs. Martin was instrumental in the development of a professional staff for the WMU headquarters and led in the purchase of the present WMU building in Birmingham, Ala.

In recognition of her leadership of WMU, the chapel at International Baptist Theological Seminary, Ruschlikon, Switzerland, was named in her honor in 1959.

After retirement from the WMU presidency she devoted full efforts to the Women's Department of the Baptist World Alliance.

She began BWA work in 1947 when she presided over a special meeting for women during the Baptist World Congress in Copenhagen. She was elected to the BWA Executive Committee in that year.

In 1948 Mrs. Martin participated in the organizational meeting of the European Baptist Women's Union and was appointed chairman of the reorganized BWA Women's Committee. During the Baptist World Congress in Cleveland in 1950 she led the structuring of the Women's Department and served as its head through the 1960 congress in Rio de Janeiro.

She traveled throughout the world

helping to plant continental Baptist Women's Unions in North America, Latin America, Africa and Asia. She continued to serve on the BWA Executive Committee through 1965.

"On To College" Packet Is Sent Free To Churches

NASHVILLE — An "On to College Day" packet of materials is being mailed free this summer to pastors, local campus student directors, state student directors, associational missionaries and vocational youth workers.

The packet contains promotional materials for a local church's "On to College Day" program and lists available resource materials for use in planning this emphasis.

Included in the packet are descriptions of publications available for students and produced by National Student Ministries of the Southern Baptist Sunday School Board. A list of state student directors and associates, along with order blanks for publication subscriptions and free "On to College" literature are provided.



Miss Kirkpatrick Returns To Nigeria

After being home on medical leave Mary Frank Kirkpatrick, of Noxapater will return to her mission work in Nigeria, West Africa on July 5. She leaves from Jackson at 1:33.

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EDITORIAL

Ecumenism Experiencing Problems

The ecumenical movement is having some problems. The soaring dream of a few years ago now are proving to be mirages. Ecumenists who foresaw a mighty uniting of the denominations into one world - church, now know that such a possibility is fading rather than approaching. Southern Baptists, who, never for one moment, have had any part in any of the program, watch with some amusement, as some of those who called them the "problem child" of the denominations, now are proving to be problem children themselves.

The latest evidence that the movement is falling apart is the action of the United Presbyterian Church in voting no longer to be a participant in the Consultation on Church Union, better known as COCU. A few years ago there was widespread announcement that the nine denominations involved in this "consultation" soon would be united into a "mighty" body of 25 million members. Now it appears very likely that the whole program will fall apart. At least that is the impression which the outsider gets from what is happening.

Actually for some time there have been rumblings which indicated that all was not well with COCU. There were problems both on doctrinal issues and

church government, that were not as easy to solve as some had presumed. America is not the only nation where ecumenical movements are having trouble. In England the Anglican Church (Church of England) has just voted for the second time, and probably, finally, at least for the present, not to unite with the Methodist Church. Leaders had pushed for bringing the closely related denominations together, but the rank and file decided against it.

As one reads of these failures in the ecumenical efforts, he realizes anew how correct Southern Baptists have been in their refusal to have any part in them. If denominations as closely related as the Anglicans and the Methodists (the Methodists originally came out of the Anglicans), or Presbyterians and some of the other Pedobaptist (Infant baptism practicing) groups are unable to get together, how could Baptists, with their convictions concerning their doctrines and their church government, ever become a part of the union movements? The answer is very clear that it would be impossible, without compromise of almost everything we stand for.

To Southern Baptists the unity of which our Lord was speaking in John 17, was a spiritual unity and not or-

ganic union. Southern Baptists extend a warm hand of fellowship toward all persons who accept Jesus Christ as Saviour and have been born again, but they do not believe that doctrinal convictions can be forgotten, simply for the purpose of achieving some type of unity.

There is a great deal of difference between unity and union. You can not have the latter until you have the first. When we get together in acceptance of the clear teachings of the Word of God we shall have little trouble in dealing with organic unity.

What we have said does not mean that we think that Ecumenism is dead. It simply means that the movement is not advancing in the manner which some had anticipated.

Plan Ahead

Almost every week we receive on Tuesday morning announcements of revivals, homecomings, and other planned events which need to be in that week's Baptist Record, but which seldom get in that week.

It is almost impossible to get material in the current week's issue, when it arrives on Tuesday morning. By the time that mail arrives several pages already have been sent to the printer in their final form, and all material is already in type.

Revival meetings, homecomings, etc., are not just decided upon on the spur of the moment. Usually they have been planned weeks or months ahead. The Baptist Record is glad to carry the announcements concerning them, but in order for them to be printed in the proper issue they need to be our hands, not later than Monday morning of the week of publication, and it will be much better if they are received on Thursday or Friday of the week before. Just plan your mailing to us a little earlier, and then we can help you by printing the materials.

While on the subject, let us remind you that because of space limitations we often have to cut lengthy announcements and stories. We regret to have to do this, but we receive each week many times the amount of material which we can use. However, we do try to use all church related stories and announcements, with the exception of certain general news such as VBS, where the number held make it impossible for us to report them. When we cut articles we do our best to preserve the important details.

Thank you for understanding, and for mailing on time. This helps us to serve you better.

No Prospects?

Some churches may be hesitating to join in the community surveys which are to be made all over Mississippi this summer as a part of the Sunday School enlargement program, because they feel that there are no prospects in their communities.

Are they sure? Many years ago this writer went into a small country church to hold a revival. At the beginning the pastor stated that there were only nine unreached persons in the whole community, and that we could not expect to win more than just a few of those. He had been pastor for years and said that he knew every home in the community.

Before the week of that revival was over, twenty-nine persons had united with that church for baptism. Many more were found who needed to be reached. Time after time, the pastor said to the evangelist, "I had forgotten about that family," or "I did not remember that that family lived down that road." The people were there all the time. The church and pastor sim-

ply had overlooked them.

Would this not be true in almost every community in Mississippi? Of course, there are communities, especially in the rural areas, where many people have moved away. But are you sure that you have not overlooked some of those who are left?

The modern survey program, developed from the old "census" which we used to take, when properly used will reveal to a church every prospect in its field. Usually it will reveal large numbers of persons who are not being reached by anybody's church.

Don't let some Mississippi people slip into hell without anybody ever witnessing to them, simply because your church did not use the modern methods which have been developed for finding them.

You won't reach them all, even when you have the best survey possible. You won't reach any of them if you don't find out where they are. Be sure that your church participates in the survey soon to be made in your association this summer.



ADMONITION AROUND OUR LIBERTY BELL

THE BAPTIST FORUM

Questions Cooper Presidency

Dear Brother Odle:

I am sure that the devil and his angels are dancing with glee that Owen Cooper has been made president of the Southern Baptist Convention.

Nothing could please the devil more than to stir up people and destroy God's work. Believe me, Owen Cooper and his integration philosophy will do it quickly if given free reign.

He said before he left Philadelphia he thought Negroes should be put in "denominational activities and headquarters" since they are becoming more numerous in membership of Southern Baptist churches. Where? The only place I have heard of was in a church in Alabama and it split it wide open. I can't understand intelligent people putting him at the head of our convention.

The only way to stop such as this is for the churches to stop paying to the Cooperative Program, which I plan to do. We don't need to finance such as Owen Cooper and Foy Valentine to sit up and destroy us. Baptists, we had better wake up before it is too late. May God have mercy on us.

Mrs. Mary Cottingham
Crystal Springs, Miss.

(Editor's Note: Mr. Cooper needs no defense from us, since he is well able to defend his own position. The quotation about putting Negroes in "denominational activities and headquarters" was in answer to a direct question asked him at a news conference after he was elected president. He merely stated that as they become more involved in the churches, they naturally will become more involved in denominational affairs. There are not many Southern Baptist churches which have Negro members, and those only in a few states. Also a few Negro churches have dual alignment with the National Baptist Convention and some of the state conventions. Mr. Cooper fully understands that all Baptist authority begins with the local church, and no convention official or anybody else outside a church can determine what that church will do about its membership policies. Each church will determine its racial policies for itself. Moreover, the support of missions through the Cooperative Program also is the prerogative of each church. It will be tragic, however, if churches decide to quit giving to the whole world mission program simply because a few churches in another area decide to accept Negroes as members.)

On The MORAL SCENE...

American bombing and shelling since 1965 has produced 21 million craters in South Vietnam. That is the estimate of a scholarly study published in this month's Scientific American. It is a figure so breathtaking that one must pause a moment to take it: 21 million craters on the land surface of a country the size of Missouri. The study is by Profs. Arthur H. Westing of Windham College and E. W. Pfeiffer of the University of Montana. These are some of the findings: (1) From 1965 through 1971, U.S. forces used 26 billion pounds of explosives in Indochina. That is twice what the U.S. used in all theaters in World War II. (2) Of those 26 billion pounds, 21 billion were exploded in South Vietnam. That amounts to 497 pounds per acre of the country, or 1,215 pounds for every inhabitant. (3) The bombs and shells are estimated by the study to have left 21 million craters in South Vietnam, displaced 2.75 billion cubic yards of earth and sprayed fragments over 26 million acres of the countryside. (By Anthony Lewis, New York Times, 5-10-72)

Labor-Force Dropouts: More of the jobless give up hope of finding employment. The ranks of the "discouraged" jobless edged up to 832,000 in the first quarter from 807,000 a year earlier, Labor Department figures show. These are persons who want work but have given up the search thinking they can't get a job; persons not seeking



A Woman's World Reaches Far Beyond the Ironing Board

Wilda Fancher

It's a good thing there is a concrete slab over Benjamin Franklin's grave. I think if only dirt covered him, he might burrow up through it and read his list of 13 virtues, adding other words of his wisdom, to the folks who now inhabit his City of Brotherly Love, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

It is probably the dirtiest city I've ever been in. When someone decided to preserve much of "the old" that is there, they didn't need to include the trash in the streets. While much of the trash did indeed look as if it were left over from colonial days, there probably is a logical explanation; therefore, I'll hold my opinion in reserve instead of making it a permanent prejudice.

After I got past the aforementioned problem, I was fascinated by the city of Philadelphia. When I stood in the room where Betsy Ross made the "first" flag, when I looked at replicas of fire brands required on houses before fire fighters would try to put a fire out there, when I looked at tables around which colonial leaders argued independence from England, when I sat in the pew where George Washington sat, when I saw the graves of the signers of the Declaration of Independence, and when I looked at the Liberty Bell, I considered the immeasurable courage of those long-ago folks involved in founding my nation.

Then I wondered at myself. I wondered, had I been alive back then, if I would have had the physical courage to be a part of the fight to gain the luxurious freedom I live in today.

I'm not sure that I would have, and that makes me sad. But there is one thing I did re-affirm to myself during that deep-thinking time. I am sure that we parents do ourselves and our children an injustice of nearly irreparable measure when we hack away at our government and put our land down, going and coming.

If we would establish ourselves an independence from continual criticism and replace it with an honesty about the good that still exists, along with the bad, in America, we would then be enjoying the kind of freedom we actually own.—Address: Box 9151, Jackson, Ms. 39206.

work aren't counted in the public jobless statistics. The number of discouraged female job-seekers rose 21,000 to 541,000; the figure for men climbed 4,000 to 291,000. A department breakdown disclosed 318,000 persons weren't seeking employment because they had tried and "could not find a job." That's up from 277,000 a year earlier. The number who said they simply "think no job (is) available" spurted to 301,000 from 262,000. Of the first-quarter total, 108,000 believed employers view them as too young or too old, 66,000 believed they lack education or training. Minorities accounted for the bulk of the first-quarter increase in discouraged dropouts. (The Wall Street Journal, 5-30-72)

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NEWEST BOOKS

CLOSER THAN A BROTHER by David Winter (Harold Shaw Publishers, pocketbook, paper, 160 pp., \$1.45). The subtitle is "Brother Lawrence for the Seventies." Brother Lawrence was a famed Christian of the 17th century. This book presents a reinterpretation of his writings as modern people seek to serve Christ and their fellow men even as he did. This is a volume of great inspiration.

CHRISTIAN PRISONERS IN RUSSIA edited by Rosemary Harris and Xenia Howard-Johnston (Tyndale, 166 pp., pocketbook, paperback, \$1.25). Actual appeals from Christian prisoners or their relatives in Russia to the Executive Secretary of the United Nations and/or to Soviet leaders. The book also contains the names and addresses of hundreds of persons who have been or are now known to be prisoners in the Soviet Union.

200 (RELIGION) CLASS Dewey Decimal Classification by Melvyl Dewey (Broadman, 84 pp., paper). The religion section of the unabridged Dewey Decimal Classification guide lists the Dewey Decimal numbers to be assigned to every type of book in the religion field. It will be of special value to church librarians and others who have their books classified by the Dewey system.

YOUR CHILD'S HERITAGE by Mina Arnold Young (Gospel Publishing House, 10 pp., paper, \$40). A plan for guiding the child in memorizing the Scriptures includes an insert of actual Scripture cards for beginning the memory training.

POINTED SERMON OUTLINES AND ILLUSTRATIONS by Hyman J. Appelmann (Baker, 118 pp., paper, \$1.50). Outlines and illustrations by one of Southern Baptists and Americas best known evangelist of our day. A part of the Baker Ministers Handbook Series.

EFFECTIVE OUTLINES AND ILLUSTRATIONS by Hyman J. Appelmann, (Baker, 122 pp., \$1.50). Another of the books in the Ministers Handbook Series includes numerous authors and illustrations from the ministry of this well-known evangelist.

ARGUING WITH GOD by Hugh Silvester (Inter-Varsity Press, 128 pp., \$1.50). The author seeks to answer questions which are raised concerning the problem of evil. He presents man's arguments against scripture revelation and gives a biblical and spiritual answer to them.

IS REVOLUTION CHANGE? by Brian Griffiths (Inter-Varsity Press, pocketbook, paperback, \$1.25, 111 pp.). Is there a better way to answer the world's problems than by

revolution? This author presents a collection of articles by men who say there is a better way.

THE EARLY EARTH by John C. Whitcomb, Jr. (Baker, 144 pp., paper, \$1.50) Dr. Whitcomb, who is professor of Theology and Old Testament at Grace Theological Seminary in Winona Lake, Indiana, writes of the creation of the earth and the universe. Here a Bible believing scholar presents the case for biblical creationism. The book is so clearly written that it can be understood by young and old.

AN EVANGELICAL FAITH FOR TODAY by John Lawson (Abingdon, 95 pp., paper, \$1.75). The author who is a Methodist theologian discusses some of the great doctrines of the Christian faith in the light of the needs of modern man. Many of these doctrines have been the subject of controversy in the modern church.

WHERE DO I GO FROM HERE, GOD? by Zac Poonen (Tyndale, paper 86 pp., \$95). A discussion for young believers on how to find the will of God in the plans of your life. The author discusses the fact that God has a plan for each life and how to find it. Here is practical, spiritual guidance for the person who is seeking to know God's will. The Christian answer is given in simple, direct terms.

PAUL: MESSENGER AND EXILE by John J. Gunther (Judson, 190 pp., \$6.95) The sub-title is "A Study in the Chronology of His Life and Letters." It is a scholarly book, but will help preachers and other serious Bible students to have a clearer understanding of each movement in the life of Paul.

ENJOY THE JOURNEY by Lionel A. Whiston (Word, 142 pp., \$3.95) A discussion of how to really enjoy the Christian life with their practical discussions of how we can keep from being Christians without ever finding the fullness of joy that God has provided in the Christian experience.

A CHURCH MINISTRY TO RETARDED PERSONS by Doris B. Monroe (Convention Press, paper, 122 pp.) Giving resources for understanding and working with the mentally retarded, this book is by a consultant. Work with Exceptional Persons, Sunday School Board. It emphasizes the need for attention to the spiritual needs of the mentally retarded.

SOLVING PROBLEMS IN MARRIAGE by Robert Bower (William B. Eerdmans, 148 pp., paper, \$2.45) This book was written for all Christian couples who want a stronger and better marriage — not just for those whose marriage is in jeopardy.

THE CLOCK STRIKES by Frederick A. Tatford (Christian Literature Crusade, paper, 126 pp., \$1.35) Science fiction. Using his imaginative gifts, Dr. Tatford presents in this novel an intriguing interpretation of some Biblical pointers to events surrounding the Rapture.

EIGHTH DAY OF CREATION, GIFTS AND CREATIVITY by Elizabeth O'Connor (Word Books, 112 pp., \$3.50) The author has written this book to encourage people to join the creative forces in the world by discovering their own creativity and gifts.

PASSPORT TO LIFE CITY by Sherwood Wirt (Good News, 111 pp., paper) Condensed from the hardbound edition, this is a modern version of Pilgrim's Progress, presented by the editor of Decision magazine. As in all of Dr. Wirt's writing, this is skillfully done.

BE A STAR WITNESS by Evelyn Roeding Cuttle (Christian Literature Crusade, paper, \$1.25, 87 pp.) The author shares her own experiences in witnessing, in a desire that others might be "star witnesses."

FAITH ON TRIAL IN RUSSIA by Michael Bourdeaux (Harper and Row, 192 pp., \$5.95). The heroic story of brave Protestants who are fighting for religious freedom in the Soviet Union is the subtitle of this book. The author has given diligent research to finding the facts concerning what has happened to believers in Russia. The opposition of communism to religious freedom is clearly depicted in the book.

THE HUMAN QUEST by Richard H. Bube (Word, 262 pp., \$9.95). Science is not a Saviour which can save the world in this time of crisis, rather it is an instrument used. It is viewed in the light of man being God's creation. The author is concerned that there be the proper interaction between science and the Christian faith.

HALF-TRUTHS OR WHOLE GOSPEL? by Chester A. Pennington (Abingdon, 127 pp., \$2.25). The author believes that too many church men base their Christian commitment on something less than the whole gospel. He shows how the whole gospel changes men's lives. He discusses the relation of that gospel to many areas of living.

SOME IMPERATIVES FOR PASTOR AND CHURCH by M. E. Ramsey (Baptist Messenger Press, 32 pp., \$30). A widely-known retired minister in Oklahoma presents a message on what the pastors and churches need to be. Speaking out of the broad experience of a long ministry, he searchingly points out the demands of Christian work in modern Baptist churches.

"Conservatism....is coming on Strong"

By Frank A. Sharp
ABC, Valley Forge, Penn.
(Editor's Note: This article is written by the news director of the American Baptist Convention, a man who probably is not in sympathy with the movement which he describes. It is an amazing acknowledgment of what is happening to Christianity.)

Without doubt there is a return to conservative evangelism in the church today as well as a return to conservatism throughout the whole fabric of our society. It is part of society's rebound from liberal thinking. The elections of President Nixon and Mayor Frank Rizzo of Philadelphia, as well as the large vote for George Wallace are symptoms of our time.

The interest and popularity of Archie Bunker in the television program, "All In the Family," relates to the ethos and mores of so called Middle America in a reaction against marches, high taxes, riots, activist groups, and a feeling of helplessness engendered because it seems impossible for the little man to move governments or to do anything about anything.

In the church the conservative reaction is symbolized by the activities of the highly emotional "Jesus Freaks," the tremendous interest on the part of young people in the contemplative life of the French religious community of Taizé, the evangelical emphasis on evangelism displayed by a national program of conservative religious sects and denominations called Key 73, the development of "Catholic Pentecostalism," and the

nostalgic revival of gospel songs, not only in the church but also popularized in the secular media via television and radio.

Dr. Robert Bellah, a sociologist of religion at the University of California (Berkeley), said recently that many "Jesus People" are simply "narrow fundamentalists in blue jeans and long hair."

He also added that the "Jesus People" movement is "not hopeful." The emphasis on individual salvation leads to the repression of other values, including those of other religions, philosophies, and ideologies.

The sociologist said that a conservative trend among adults in U. S. denominations is parallel to the Jesus movement and is "a very dangerous sign."

As a matter of fact a number of main-line Protestant denominations have strong conservative lay groups who are in rebellion against the liberal and activist leadership of these religious bodies. Bellah claims that this is too bad "because main-line denominations have provided equilibrium around certain core values."

Some religion specialists are apprehensive about what seems to be a reversion to fundamentalism and a return to nostalgia and the past. But in spite of warnings by traditional main-line religion types the so-called revival continues to grow worldwide. Some describe the phenomenon as "a new springtime in the church."

The Rev. Arthur Blessitt, a Southern Baptist evangelist working with Jesus People in California, who not

long ago carried a wooden cross from California to the East coast is a representative leader in the new fundamentalist movement. He is now in northern Ireland claiming that there is an incipient "Jesus Revolution" brewing there.

Another manifestation of the trend toward conservatism in religion is the unofficial status of evangelist Billy Graham to President Nixon. Some go as far as to say that Mr. Graham is to all practical effects the chaplain to the president.

Graham Guest at White House
Mr. Graham is often a guest at White House functions and only recently was a member of the group of Americans appointed to attend the inauguration ceremony of William R. Tolbert, Jr., as president of Liberia, Africa.

Not too long ago President Nixon attended and spoke to a mass evangelist rally at one of Billy Graham's crusades held in the South.

On March 30 it is reported that President Nixon asked Billy Graham to invite a number of American religious leaders to the White House for a foreign policy briefing by Dr. Henry Kissinger, national security affairs advisor to President Nixon.

Thirty-six leaders and officials of predominantly conservative Protestant bodies and organizations and several Christian educators and business men were present for the briefing.

Included in the group, in addition to Mr. Graham, was Oral Roberts, noted evangelist and faith healer. Others

were related to the Christian Missionary Alliance, Back to the Bible Broadcast, Christianity Today magazine, Fuller Theological Seminary, Assemblies of God, Moody Bible Institute, National Association of Evangelicals, Youth for Christ International, Southern Baptist Convention, etc.

Scarcely one representative from the main-line denominations which are accustomed to cooperate in the National Council of Churches was present for the briefing.

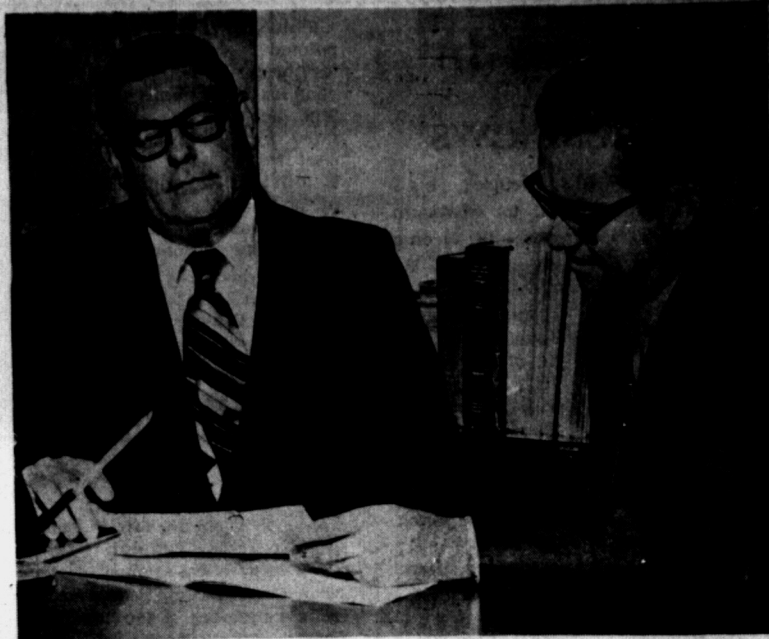
While those who were invited to attend the White House briefing are not to be equated with the Jesus Movement, yet it does mean that these people, representing as they do the more conservative evangelicals, are one more indication of the resurgence of conservative Christianity, both organized and non-establishment, on the American scene.

The Jesus revolution people, many of whom reject the institution of the church, have adopted a somewhat Puritanical stance rejecting many of the material aspects of life, seeking communal living and a detachment from worldly goods. Some have taken vows of poverty, chastity and obedience, and engage in daily Bible reading and prayer.

So whether one examines the Jesus people with their anti-establishment feelings or whether one is looking at the more established, traditional evangelicals, there is only one valid conclusion that can be drawn from the current religious scene—conservatism, perhaps even fundamentalism, is coming on strong.

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Dr. J. W. Lee (left), chairman of the Division of Education and Psychology, and Dr. Charles E. Martin, vice-president for academic affairs, look over the letter renewing Mississippi College accreditation in the National Council for the Accreditation of Teacher Education. (M. C. Photo by Bill Strange)

Teacher Education Program At MC Is Now Reaccredited

The teacher education program at Mississippi College has been re-accredited by the National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education through August, 1980, according to information received by Dr. Lewis Nobles, college president, and Dr. J. W. Lee, chairman of the Division of Education and Psychology.

Dr. Rolf W. Larson, NCATE director, informed the college administrators of the Council's action via letter after a comprehensive screening of the college's program in the field.

According to Dr. Larson, Mississippi College is now fully accredited for programs to prepare elementary and secondary teachers at the baccalaureate and master's degree levels, and school service personnel programs (elementary and secondary principals and guidance counselors) at the master's degree level.

The renewal of the NCATE accreditation of the college assures that any graduate of Mississippi College with a major in the proper field of education will be eligible for a teacher's certificate in any of the states which have accepted accreditation by NCATE as their guide for certificates.

The strengthening of the teacher education program at Mississippi College has been one of the major goals of the Division of Education and Psychology. Under the leadership of Dr. J. W. Lee, division chairman, new growth has been experienced and new programs instituted.

Dr. Lee, who was at the helm of the program when the college was first accredited in 1962, was singled out by Dr. Larson in his recent letter for his professionalism in directing the teacher education program of the college.

Rigid entrance requirements to the program have been instituted in an effort to provide secondary and elementary schools with better qualified instructors. Admittance to Mississippi

College does not entitle a student admittance to a curriculum in teacher education or to pursue courses therein.

Admission policies in teacher education, as well as retention policies, are based on the premise that academic ability and achievement, health and physical fitness, personal and social qualities, are important factors in the preparation of teachers.

Huffman Named Radio-TV Agency Associate

FORT WORTH (BP) — A businessman with a religious bent has been named to provide a link between the Southern Baptist Radio and Television Commission here and the radio and television industry in general.

Alvin "Bo" Huffman Jr., of Blytheville, Ark., was elected executive associate director of the commission, according to its executive director, Paul M. Stevens.

Huffman is a member and immediate past chairman of the board of the Memphis branch of the Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis. He is president of Huffman Brothers, Inc., a Blytheville building materials firm, founded in 1905 by his father.

In addition to his business interests, he is director of higher education development for the Arkansas Baptist State Convention. Under his direction, Arkansas Baptists have raised more than \$4 million to provide additional capital for Ouachita Baptist University at Arkadelphia and Southern Baptist College in Walnut Ridge, Ark.

Stevens said that as a layman and businessman, Huffman will be able to provide "a valuable link between the Radio and Television Commission and the radio and television industry." Huffman said he looked forward with excitement to becoming a staff member of the commission, describing the opportunity as "one of the most challenging Christian ventures of our time."

One of 20 men in the nation a recent Washington conference for an exchange of views on Phase II economic controls, Huffman has served on the boards of directors for the Blytheville Federal Savings and Loan Association and the Southwest Lumbermen's Association in addition to serving the Federal Reserve Bank board.

Active in civic affairs, Huffman has been past governor of District 615 of Rotary International, former president of the Blytheville Rotary Club, a former president of the Blytheville Chamber of Commerce and the Blytheville Development Council, and general chairman of the city's United Fund. He has also been a board member for the county Tuberculosis and Respiratory Diseases Association; the county American Red Cross chapter, and the Blytheville Country Club.

A deacon at the First Baptist Church, he has been chairman of the building committee for the present church sanctuary, a member of the board of trustees of Baptist Memorial Hospital in Memphis, a member of the Radio-TV Commission, and a member of the Southern Baptist Foundation.

Huffman will join the commission staff "as soon as he is able to complete his obligations to the Arkansas State Baptist Convention," Stevens said.

He will continue to maintain his home and business interests in Blytheville, but will have an office at the commission's headquarters here and an apartment in the Westover Hills area of Fort Worth.

Parochial Transfer Problem Not Great: Americans United

WASHINGTON, D. C. (C-SNS) — The decline of parochial school enrollment and transfers from parochial to public schools should cause fewer problems than some people expect, according to a new research report from Americans United for Separation of Church and State. The report shows that states with the largest percentages of students in parochial and private schools have higher average personal incomes and expend less effort for public school support than states with small percentages of students in parochial and private schools.

Following is the summary of a research report by Americans United educational relations director E. D. Doerr:

"There is no need to worry about the effects of parochial transfers to public schools. The figures on parochial school enrollment and transfers of these students to public schools clearly bear this out.

"Parochial and private schools now enroll 5.4 million students, 10.4% of all U. S. school pupils. By 1980 total non-public enrollment will decline by 46% from the 1970 figure, according to the President's Commission on School Finance. Most of this decline will

take place in Roman Catholic schools, which will drop by 52% for the decade, in contrast with Protestant, Jewish, and private schools, which will decline by less than 17%.

"Advocates of tax aid for parochial schools warn that this parochial enrollment decline will impose hardship on public schools and taxpayers in those states with large concentrations of pupils in parochial schools. Careful analysis of enrollment and school finance data state-by-state, however, shows otherwise.

"During the 1969-70 school year, 11 states had 12% or more of their students in Catholic schools (Connecticut, Illinois, Louisiana, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, Wisconsin). These 11 states had an average of 14.77% of their students in Catholic schools, while the other 39 states had an average of 5.6% of their students in Catholic schools.

"During this school year, in the 11 states with the heavier parochial enrollments, personal income averaged 17% higher (\$3,896.18) than that in the 39 states with lower parochial enrollments (\$3,334.69). At the same time the 11 states with heavier parochial

enrollments were spending 17% less of per capita income on local schools (3.8%) than were the other 39 states (4.57%).

"This means that the states facing the largest influx of parochial pupils to public schools are the states with the greatest ability to pay added public school costs. These states are already expending proportionately less on public education than states with much larger percentages of children in public schools.

"Further, most, if not all, of the transfers from parochial to public schools between now and 1980 will move into seats made empty by our lower birth rate. According to the Census Bureau, total school enrollment will drop by 1.6 million children between October 1971 and October 1975.

"The alarmists are wrong. The decline in parochial school enrollment will itself cause no serious problems for public schools."

"Got A Minute For God?" Radio-TV Agency Asks of Radio Stations

Questions all over the country are being asked that question regularly by the Southern Baptist Radio and Television Commission.

Those stations who have a minute for the Master — and there are now nearly 600 of them in the United States — receive a package of 11 long-playing records containing a different one-minute Bible reading for each day of the year.

"The readings are designed to be used continuously as the station may desire and are not dated in any way," said Dr. Paul M. Stevens, executive director of the Radio and TV Commission.

The readings, "Living Words of To-

day," are a part of the Living Bible, Paraphrased. John Borders, of the Radio and TV Commission's popular "Powerline" program for teenagers, reads them.

The script was selected by a staff at the Radio and TV Commission. Major passages of the Bible that have traditionally been considered inspirational were used, with special readings selected for use at Christmas, Easter, and national holidays.

Each of the 365 radio spots may be tagged by Baptist churches who wish to present them to their local stations. Any church, or pastor, interested in receiving the spots for local stations may contact the Marketing Department of the Radio and Television Commission in Fort Worth.



Designed By Nature, Used For God

Extinct volcanoes enclose Goreme, an ancient city in Turkey. Designed by nature from soft volcanic rock, Goreme is pictured here in a scene from the Southern Baptist Radio and Television Commission's film, "Time and the Cities." It was turned into a City of God by early Christians who carved hundreds of chapels from stone. For centuries, literally thousands of men and women prayed and studied, worshipped and worked in these cave-complexes, which became centers of learning as well as centers for the disciplined religious life.

Mission Grows In Montana

In 1967 Mrs. Gus Glasscock, member of Miles City Church, Miles City, Montana, went to the Northside community of Miles City and went from house to house inviting boys and girls to Bible school at the church. The response was so great that it took over one hour to make enough trips to get all the kids to the church.

After the week of Bible school, Mrs. Glasscock continued to bring as many children as possible to the church for Sunday School each Sunday. There was a great need for a bus ministry or a Mission Sunday School. Financing a bus was not possible, so a mission Sunday School was begun in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ron Dean in the spring of 1968. Mrs. Gus Glasscock served as director of the mission. It was the beginning of a Glasscock served as director of the Miles City Baptist Church and Pastor Ovis Fairley.

The little mission was not to stay little. In the summer of 1968 Miss Susan Moore and Miss Judy Grant, summer missionaries from Mississippi, helped the mission with a Bible School and led in conducting a door to door search for more kids. The little mission outgrew the Dean home. Then the mission began to meet in the home of Mrs. Alice Swift.

The team work of the children is wonderful. They continued to reach more kids for Sunday School. Children and some adults were attracted to the mission. Most of these people had some social misfortune: drug addiction, drinking problems, thieves, murder, you name it, they were guilty. The teachers as well as Pastor Fairley were kept busy counseling with the many who came to the mission. Many were won to the Lord, even some who were inmates in the jail. As time went on, the Lord called Pastor Fairley to a church in Great Falls, Montana.

Months and months went by without a pastor for the church, but the laymen carried on the work. Then our prayers were answered. God sent us Brother Wayland Holbrook and his family.

The Holy Spirit once again worked in the hearts of the people at the

mission. Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Fessler came to the mission to help Mrs. Glasscock with the teaching. We now had three classes.

In the summer of 1970 we enrolled 52 in a one week Bible School at the mission. We had children everywhere in the house. On the last day we met at the city park for our classes and a picnic. At close of the summer we had enough children for four classes at the Northside Mission Sunday School. The new teachers for the mission were Mrs. Doug Yates, Mrs. George Rickett, Mrs. Jeff Bloom, and me, Alice Swift, who served as both teacher and director for the Mission.

This great team work never let one holiday pass that we did not remember the ones closed in jail or living at the rest home. The children sang songs, gave out goodies, literature and copies of Good News for Modern Man.

We feel that these children are great workers for the Lord. So hard did they work that the Mission outgrew another home and had to move to the mother church.

BUT THE NORTHSIDE MISSION HAS NOT CLOSED ITS DOORS. Only the Sunday School part of the mission was moved to the mother church. The mission still has its Tuesday afternoon Bible Study for adult ladies. Then on Thursday afternoon, the kids have a Bible Club meeting. And on Friday night we have a Youth Bible Study. So you can see that we are still reaching kids in this area.

We are now using four cars to take the children to the mother church and back. There are many more children that we need to enlist in Sunday School. The mother church has the space to accommodate the large attendance.

We are asking for the PRAYERS of many that this Miles City Baptist Church can keep on standing. We need a bus in order that we may have a large bus ministry to reach all the kids.

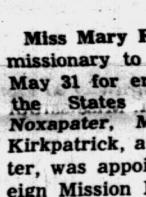
We wanted to share these blessings with others as a witness to the fact that God can make a little mission grow and become even more effective for the Lord.

Names In The News

Robert Gillis, pictured, has accepted the call to Plymouth Church, Columbus; to become minister of music and youth. He is a graduate from New Hope High School and he plans to attend college at Mississippi State this fall. Robert was a member of the Fairview Church, Columbus before going to Plymouth. Since going to Plymouth about a month ago, there has been a youth choir organized which sings in the Sunday evening service. The Sunday Morning Choir is combined with both youth and adults. Robert says that the youth are finding that it is not a "drag" to become involved for the Lord. The church is now reaching as many youth as adults for each service. "The revival is still continuing in the hearts of almost all who became involved more than a month ago when God sent a real revival to our church. People are still being saved and new members are still being added to the church," reports Rev. C. H. Wroten, pastor.



Danny Cook, native of Tupelo, has accepted the position of minister of music and youth of Parkway Church, Tupelo. Mr. Cook received his Bachelor of Church Music degree from William Carey College. He has served as summer music director at Verona and as minister of music at Braxton Church and Temple Church, Petal. He goes to Parkway from Noxapater where he served as minister of music and youth. Mrs. Cook is the former Sandra (Sandi) Lott of Gulfport.



Miss Mary Frank Kirkpatrick, missionary to Nigeria, returned May 31 for emergency leave in the States (address: Box 94, Noxapater, Miss. 38946). Miss Kirkpatrick, a native of Noxapater, was appointed by the Foreign Mission Board in 1955.

James H. Shivers has been appointed to the position of assistant professor of business and economics at William Carey College, according to an announcement by Academic Vice-President Joseph M. Ernest. Shivers, a native of Columbia, Mississippi, now resides at Bassfield and has previously been employed on the faculty of Jones Junior College.



Donnie Coston was licensed to preach on June 18 by the Emmanuel Church of Biloxi. Donnie is the son of Mr. and Mrs. James Coston of 2311 Middlecoff Drive, Gulfport. He is a student of Harrison Central High School where he is a member of the band. His pastor, Rev. Robert Self, commends him to others as a sincere and dedicated young man.

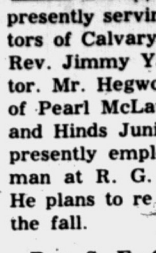
J. Malcolm Edwards, long-time minister of music at Broadway Baptist Church, Fort Worth, has been named Manager of the Music Department for the Southern Baptist Radio and Television Commission.

William Carey College has announced the coming of Dr. Ronald Lloyd Paddock to join the faculty of the department of education and psychology. Dr. Paddock, a recent doctoral graduate from Baylor University in education and psychology, will be moving to Hattiesburg in August and will begin teaching in September. Past teaching experience for Dr. Paddock has included numerous overseas assignments in Korea, Turkey, Germany, Hawaii and Japan. Dr. Paddock is married and the father of two children. He is a Baptist and an active layman and church leader.



Bert Breland was recently licensed to preach by Pascagoula's Calvary Church. Son of Mr. and Mrs. Vinson Breland, he graduated from Pascagoula High School and plans to attend Mississippi College. He has held revivals in Mississippi, Alabama, and Florida and is available for supply or revivals by contacting him at his parents' address 2402 Parsley Ave., Pascagoula, or by calling 762-5864, Rev. Byron E. Mathis, pastor of Calvary.

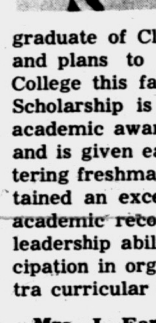
Harry Hegwood, pictured, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Hegwood of Pearl, recently surrendered to preach, and was licensed by Calvary Church Vicksburg. He is married to the former Dorothy Beam, daughter of Rev. and Mrs. Bill Beam, also of Pearl. The Hegwoods are presently serving as youth directors of Calvary Church, where Rev. Jimmy Yarborough is pastor. Mr. Hegwood is a graduate of Pearl McLaurin High School and Hinds Junior College. He is presently employed as a draftsman at R. G. LeTourneau Inc. He plans to re-enter college in the fall.



Rev. S. E. O'Brien and Mrs. Katie Lou Lewis were united in marriage on May 21 at Beth Church near Columbus. Rev. G. C. Sansing, uncle of the groom, performed the ceremony which was attended by members of the church and friends of the couple. Both the bride and the groom had lost their former companions in automobile tragedies. Mr. O'Brien is pastor of Shady Grove Church near Eupora in Webster County.



David Cox of Clinton has been named the recipient of the T. M. Hederman, III, Memorial Scholarship at Mississippi College according to Dr. Charles Scott, dean of students and chairman of the Financial Aids Committee. Cox, the son of Dr. and Mrs. Prentiss Cox of Clinton, is a recent graduate of Clinton High School and plans to enter Mississippi College this fall. The Hederman Scholarship is one of the top academic awards at the college and is given each year to an entering freshman who has maintained an excellent high school academic record and has shown leadership ability through participation in organizations and extra-curricular activities.



Mrs. J. Earl Posey Jr., missionary to the Philippines, has arrived for furlough in the States (address: 3805 E. Camellia Dr., Mobile, Ala. 36609). Mr. Posey is scheduled to leave the field June 29. An Alabamian, he was born in Boyles and also lived in Pinson while growing up. The former Mamie Lou Eubanks, she was born in Lucedale, Miss.

John Brown of Hattiesburg, Carey College student, shares an important occasion with his mother. He has received word that he has been accepted as a student at the United States Military Academy in West Point. Mrs. Brown is a member of the foreign language department at Carey. Young Brown leaves July 2. He is the oldest of 8 children in the Brown family and has waited a year for this happy bit of news which arrived in a letter from Congressman Colmer.



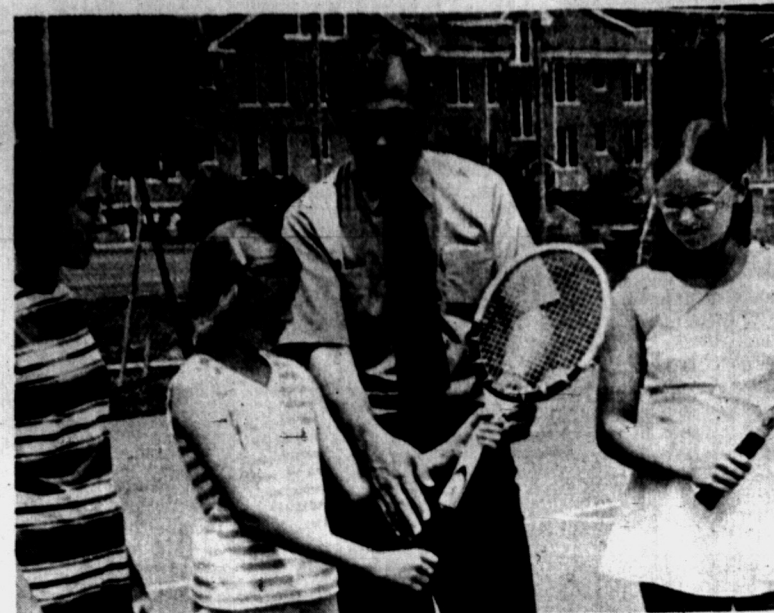
Meridian student Cathy Collins, has received word that she has been awarded two scholarship grants to William Carey College for the coming school year. Cathy, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. V. Collins was given a Junior Honors Scholarship for academic achievement and a special music grant from the Carey School of Music. She is a 1970 honors graduate of Meridian High School and a 1972 honors graduate of Clarke Junior College.

Rev. and Mrs. S. Dennis Hale, missionaries on furlough from Spain, may now be addressed at 512 Sterling Ave., Chattanooga, Tenn. 37405. When they were appointed by the Foreign Mission Board in 1965, he was pastor of Harmony Baptist Church, Picayune, Miss.

Rev. and Mrs. Samuel L. Simpson, missionaries who have completed an extended leave, were scheduled to return around June 10 to Ecuador (address: Centro Agricola Bautista, Chone, Manabi, Ecuador). Both Mr. and Mrs. Simpson are Mississippians.



Patric Upton, 19, was licensed to preach Sunday June 4, at Eastlawn Baptist Church in Jackson County where he preached his first sermon. Patric, who surrendered to preach in 1971, attended Mobile College during the 1971-1972 school year. He is currently working with the Litton Corporation and resides with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Grady Upton, 1103 Kell Avenue, Pascagoula, Mississippi.



Carey Girls' Sports And Fun Camp

Getting all set for the first annual sports camp for girls on the William Carey College campus are three who are registered to attend from June 26 to July 1. In the above photo, Dr. Benjamin Waddle, director of the camp shows the girls the correct grip of a tennis racket. The girls are, from left to right: Tracie Gerrard, Lila Noonkester, and Paige Rowden. For girls, ages 12-15, the camp will offer tennis, badminton, archery, basketball, softball, volleyball, and cheerleading in addition to facilities in the dorm and dining hall. A few spaces are still available. Interested persons should contact Dr. Waddle, chairman of the Physical Education department of William Carey College.

Fellowship Is Role Of Association, Baptists Told

PHILADELPHIA, June 5 — The role of the association in the Southern Baptist Convention today should be one of fellowship, not merely organization, Southern Baptist leaders said here Monday.

"The association should be a doctrine of fellowship, a spiritual family," said Russell Bennett, Jr., assistant director in the Southern Baptist Home Mission Board Division of Associational Services. He spoke at the two-day 11th annual meeting of the Southern Baptist Conference of Missions at the Bellevue Stratford Hotel. The conference was one of four Baptist meetings held in advance of the 125th annual meeting of the Southern Baptist Convention.

"The J. R. Graves theory of each congregation being a Kingdom of God in itself is more Jeffersonian politics than Baptist doctrine," Bennett said. "The Bible teaches more about mutual fellowship than congregational separation. You don't find the words 'independent, separate' on any of the pages of the Bible."

More than 700 superintendents of missions now direct associational mission work in 30 Southern Baptist state conventions. Philadelphia, ironically, is the birthplace of the first Baptist association, founded by a group of Welsh Baptist immigrants in the early 1700's.

While meeting in the city of "brotherly love," Bennett stressed that the purpose of the association is "to assist churches in watching over one another in brotherly affection."

"Churches can express brotherly affection for one another and the association provides the way," he said. "If one church is suffering a problem, such as a change of community, are not sister congregations obligated to pray for her? We need to involve laity and pastors in doing the work of the association."

"The association has the same mission as the church if it is a true fellowship of churches and that is to glorify God," Bennett said.

Albert McClellan of Nashville, program planning director for the SBC Executive Committee, echoed Bennett's fellowship view, saying, "the association as an organization is secondary to the association as a fellowship."

McClellan said there needs to be a stop to the weighting down of the Convention with associational organizations.

"The association must do what it can do and quit doing what it can't do, or does poorly," he said. "We should plan for more fellowship and real doctrine confrontation. As important as committees are, if dynamics are not to be found in them, then the association needs to find where the dynamics are and build the association around them."

Also, state conventions and SBC agencies should work together more closely in plans and resources given the associations, and take into account the views of the associational superintendent of missions, McClellan said.

"There needs to be a whole lot more listening to those who know, and that's you," he told the audience of superintendents of missions. "Not just a token listening, like we have now, but a real participation. There needs to be the recognition of the Superintendent of missions as a real leader; a practical presence without whom we could not do our work in modern times."

How many associations are needed for the more than 11-million member Convention? McClellan said the more than 700 present associations may be too many.

"Many times the association should merge with a larger association to provide a meaningful working base," McClellan said. "I can understand small associations in pioneer areas,

but in other areas the association should be large enough to employ and support a full-time missionary. This gives the churches in the association a greater sense of belonging to a worthwhile cause."

Tom Roote Jr., superintendent of missions in the Jacksonville, Fla. area, said the SBC and state conventions would do well to include more superintendents of missions on convention boards.

"We need to be where the planning is," Roote said, "not just the tokenism. Sure it's nice to have one of us to pray on the program. But our loyalties lie closer with the churches than with the denominational offices, so they would do well to include more of us on elected boards."

Harold Gregory, Nashville, Tenn. superintendent of missions and outgoing president of the conference, said more and more problems are arising in churches because of a lack of fellowship among the people and other churches.

"The association exists not for itself, but for the churches. Fellowship involves a spontaneous, mutual kinship that can not be repressed. If we are not a fellowship, we are nothing. We must recover and discover new areas of fellowship."

Succeeding Gregory as president of the conference was G. Allen West of Louisville, Ky. Other officers elected at the annual conference were Hugh Chambliss of Huntsville, Ala., vice president; Burt Potter of Omaha, Neb., secretary; and Robert Helmich of Muskogee, Okla., treasurer.

Maryland Baptist Board Approves Staff Restructure

LUTHERVILLE, Md. (BP) — The State Mission Board of the Baptist Convention of Maryland approved here a reorganization of the convention board's staff, accepted the resignation of their state director of missions, and approved plans for a state camping and retreat center that could eventually become an assembly.

The restructure proposals were brought by the Executive Committee of the State Mission Board as initial recommendations of a long-range study.

Under the new organization, the 12 current departments of work will be grouped into four departments in order to better coordinate and correlate their work.

Convention officials pointed out that the restructure would not cut back any phase of the convention's work, but would only realign the programs with different relationships and assignments.

The four new departments created by the board will include the missions department, church development department, business services department and Woman's Missionary Union. Each department will be headed by a department director reporting directly to the executive secretary, plus associates and assistants with areas of specialty.

Cooper To Direct Texas Counseling Service

DALLAS (BP) — James L. Cooper has been named by the Executive Board of the Baptist General Convention of Texas to launch a statewide counseling service for ministers.

Cooper, pastor of First Baptist Church of Oak Cliff here for the past 16 years, will serve as coordinator of counseling services. It is a new position created by the Texas convention last year.

There are people so addicted to exaggeration they can't tell the truth without lying.

Hospital Enlarges Cardiovascular Department

Mississippi Baptist Hospital has once again enlarged its Cardiovascular Department because of the volume of work, according to hospital administrator Paul J. Pryor.

He said the post-surgery recovery unit has been increased from three beds to six beds and has been relocated in an area three times as large as the original location.

"The expansion was made necessary," said Pryor, "by the fine acceptance we have had from the public for our broadened cardiovascular services program."

"The fact that it comes less than a year after the program was initiated indicates a community acceptance and usage which has exceeded even our optimistic expectations," he added.

Ken Smith, who has served as head nurse of the unit since it opened last July, said 202 procedures already have been carried out in the unit during its first eleven months.

"This includes 147 open-heart surgical procedures and 55 vascular operative procedures as of May 18," said Miss Betty Patterson, Nursing Service Administrative Assistant, who has the responsibility of coordinating the services of this new unit, along with the coronary care and intensive



Looking at new equipment which monitors patients in Mississippi Baptist Hospital's expanded unit for the post-surgery recovery unit of its Cardiovascular Department are Ken Smith, head nurse, and Miss Betty Patterson, Nursing Service Administrative Assistant in charge of the newly expanded unit.

Care Units.

"In the past," said Pryor, "many Mississippians have traveled to Houston and other places for this kind of medical expertise but that kind of trip is no longer necessary."

He said the new unit includes new monitors for each patient and an especially-designed totally isolated electrical system assuring maximum safety

for each of the unit's six individual patient-care modules.

The unit is one part of a five-unit Cardiovascular Department. The other four units include the six-bed coronary-care unit, the cardiovascular laboratory where heart catheterizations are performed, the operating rooms and a 16-bed recovery area.

"The patients come here directly from surgery," said Smith. "They are kept several days, and then they go to the 16-bed recovery area and from there home."

Rocky Mountain Bible Meets Planned At Glorieta Assembly

GLORIETA, N. M. — Four Rocky Mountain Bible Conferences are scheduled for September and October at Glorieta Baptist Assembly, according to Mark Short, manager.

Included in the conferences which begin on Monday evenings and conclude on Saturday mornings are Bible studies, recreational opportunities and tours of the Northern New Mexico aspen groves and historic areas.

Speakers for the first conference, Sept. 18-23, will be A. D. Fofeman, New Testament; E. Hermond Westmoreland, Old Testament; and J. Earl Mead, inspiration.

For the second conference, September 25-30, the speakers will be Donald F. Ackland, New Testament; E. Hermond Westmoreland, Old Testament; and J. Earl Mead, inspiration.

The third conference session, Oct. 2-7, again will feature Ackland as New Testament speaker, with Franklin Segler as Old Testament speaker and Mead as inspirational speaker.

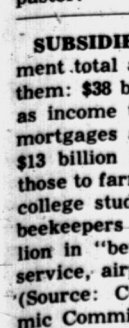
The last such conference of the fall, Oct. 9-14, will have as speakers Ackland for New Testament, A. Hope Owen for Old Testament and Harry Stagg for inspiration.

A cost of \$50 each week for each person (two persons in a room) or \$60 (one person in a room) will include all meals, refreshments, room, linens, program, insurance and recreation. All guests will be housed in Chaparral Inn, Glorieta's newest hotel. The price does not include tours.

For reservations, write Glorieta Baptist Assembly, Glorieta, New Mexico 87535. A \$1.00 non-refundable registration fee must accompany registration requests for each person.

Westview, Jackson Plans Revival And Other Events

Dr. H. D. Smith, Jr. of New Orleans will be the evangelist for the revival at Westview Church in Jackson July 9-16 which will include homecoming, a noteburning and dinner - on - the grounds.



Gene Rester of Jackson will lead the music. Rev. John L. Gilbert is the pastor.

SUBSIDIES from federal government total at least \$63 billion. Among them: \$38 billion in tax subsidies such as income tax deductions from home mortgages and other interest - costs: \$13 billion in cash subsidies such as those to farmers for limiting crops, for college students, and "to compensate beekeepers for dead bees;" \$10 billion in "benefits - in - kind" postal service, airports, public housing. (Source: Congressional Joint Economic Committee.)



Ripley Singers To Go On Tour

Pictured above are the "New Life Singers" from First Baptist Church, Ripley, Miss. This group will be on tour July 6-13, singing in Churches across Kentucky. They are seen beside the new bus purchased and delivered only a few weeks ago. Those touring are: Jeff Boyd, Sally Boyette, Bonnie Garner, Pamela Goolsby, Eddie Graves, James Griffin, Susan Griffin, Alan Holditch, Bob Holditch, Bob Holliday, Beverly Jamieson, Phil Jamieson, Deborah Koonce, Rita Lindsey, Paul Lowry, Joe Hines Martin, Millie Martin, Danny Morton, Danny McAllister, Neva McDowell, Roy Glen McDowell, Mary Beth McMillin, Bill Pressley, Danny Scott, Martha Ray Sartor, Lisa Smith, Mike Wommack, Marilyn Yancey, Emma Marie Braddock, Mrs. Paul Griffin, J. L. Street, Bob Koonce, Director and Danny Beckwith, Accompanist.

Discovering A Meaningful Faith

Job 23: 42; 1-6; Hebrew 12: 5-11;
1 Peter 5: 6-7

By Clinton J. Allen

Christian faith is both a gift and an achievement. It is imparted to us as a gift of God's grace, and it becomes increasingly mature and meaningful as we consciously respond to the instruction and discipline of the Holy Spirit and as we struggle to achieve a deeper understanding of God and a more meaningful fellowship with him. To reach this goal requires a long and arduous pilgrimage. But the goal always beckons us to pursue it without wavering and without weakening. The biblical story of Job is a realistic account of the struggle to achieve the meaningful faith. Let us seek the instruction to come from it, remembering always that we have no occasion for anxiety because God cares for us.

The Lesson Explained
JOB'S COMPLAINT (23:1-2)

One must read the opening chapters of Job for the setting of the story. Job is described as a righteous man, "one that feared God, and

eschewed evil." He was blessed with family and substance. Then the tragedy came that destroyed his flocks and servants, also his children. Still "Job sinned not, nor charged God foolishly." Job was stricken with "sores boils from the sole of his foot unto his crown." Even his wife chided him for his integrity and urged him to curse God and die. Still "did not Job sin with his lips." In the unfolding drama of Job's experience, his friends engaged him in dialogue. For them his suffering was certain proof of some transgression against God. With integrity, Job maintained his innocence. He was not boasting of self-righteousness but was declaring the integrity of his purpose to live uprightly before God and to live with honesty and generosity toward his fellowmen.

Job's complaint was much more than the pain of physical suffering. His anguish was a bitterness of heart and mind, of perplexity about the ways of God, of bewilderment as to why his lot had included almost unbearable torture of soul. His heart cried out, why? He could get no answer. The council and charges of his friends were like arrows in his heart. He fluctuated between self-pity and complaint against God.

SEARCH FOR GOD (Job 23:3-4)

Job felt that God had forsaken him. His soul cried out, "Oh that I knew where I might find him!" God seemed inaccessible, indifferent, unconcerned. In this we see that Job's faith was too dependent upon external circumstances, too restricted to outward evidences of God's favor. He had not learned to wait, to trust when he could not understand, to believe when he could not see. To Job, God seemed arbitrary, doing what he did apart from purposeful love. And for this cause Job was uncomfortable in God's presence, afraid of him, though he sought so earnestly to confront him in order to lay his case before him. As Job meditated on the ways of God, his heart fainted, feeling that God was against him and had him hemmed in, shut up in darkness with no ray of light or hope.

JOB'S DISCOVERY OF FAITH (42:1-6)

The resolution of Job's problem came when the Lord did indeed confront Job and answer his charges. God did not answer all of Job's questions. Instead, he impressed upon Job his sovereignty over the universe, his creative power, his omnipotence and omniscience, his transcendent greatness and majesty. Job discovered that his own problem had been too baffling for human understanding and that he had been presumptuous in trying to resolve it apart from faith in God. He learned that if God was the creator and sovereign over the natural universe, he could surely be trusted to exercise his sovereignty in the moral universe. In other words, Job had come to see with the eye of faith, to see God first and then to see himself. When he was willing to trust, he was able to hear. God became real. His problem was resolved in the discovery of God and in being willing to trust himself to the sovereign wisdom of God.

Truths to Live By

A meaningful faith must encompass the realistic problems in the human situation. — Faith is not blind to the facts of life. Along with the problem of evil, we face the inexplicable problems of natural catastrophe, of human tragedy and suffering, of whether the whole course of human history indicates progress toward the con-

summation of God's redemptive purpose, and of whether the church gives evidence of fulfilling its mission in the mind of Christ. We face the problem of war, of man's inhumanity to men, and of whether man will destroy himself by the irresponsible use of nuclear weapons and chemical forces. A meaningful faith must face these problems not with the frustration of frantic fear or fatalistic indifference. If all the aspects of the bewildering human situation are within the sphere of God's overarching sovereignty, they are not too great for God. And if God is love, then all that exists within the realm of human experience must ultimately be overcome by the love of God. A meaningful faith does not have glib answers to staggering questions. But it does have a transcendently great God, and God is greater than all the ills and problems of mankind. A meaningful faith must rest firmly in the truths of the biblical revelation. — God is the Holy One; he is the loving Father; he is personal; he is trustworthy; he is God made manifest through the earthly life and saving work of Jesus Christ. A meaningful faith accepts the whole universe as God's creation, understands man to be made in the image of God, recognizes the presence of the activity of the Holy Spirit, believes in the risen and ascending Christ, who must reign until all of his enemies are placed under his feet, and confidently expects him to come again in victory and glory at the end of the age.

A meaningful faith is a boon to strength and confidence in the Christian life. — We live in times which try men's souls. The forces of evil are able, resourceful, and determined. The tasks and opportunities involved in the Christian mission involve staggering responsibility and courageous commitment on the part of all persons working in us can make us adequate for any task, fearless in the face of peril, and willing to undertake the impossible with the help of his Spirit. A meaningful faith relates the wisdom and love and sovereignty of Christ the Lord to the iniquity and complexity, the corruption and confusion and redemption of the world order. A meaningful faith will help us to live and to serve in the strength and confidence of the Lord.

Robertson Accepts Meridian Pastorate

Rev. C. B. Robertson, pastor for the past 12 years in Alabama has recently been called to the pastorate of the Northeast Church in Meridian, and is already on the field.

A native of the Meridian area, Mr. Robertson's last pastorate was Forest Hill Church, Linden, Alabama where he led in the organization of this church in 1966, from a mission of the First Church there. In 1968 it was constituted into a self-supporting church with a membership of several hundred.

Other pastorates, all in Alabama, include Calvary Baptist Church, Linden, Yellow Bluff Baptist Church, and Oak Grove Baptist Church, Pine Hill, First Baptist Church, Dixon Mills, and Associate pastor and mission pastor of the First Baptist Church, Linden.

Mr. Robertson was educated in the public schools of Lauderdale County, Mississippi, Meridian Junior College, Howard College, now Samford University, Birmingham, Alabama and the New Orleans Seminary, Extension department.

He is the son of the late J. W. and Emma Robertson of Toombs, and brother to the late Dr. Homer W. Robertson, pastor for many years in Mississippi and Alabama before his death in 1960.

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Sunday School Lesson: Life and Work

A Call To Missions

Acts 13: 1-43

By Bill Duncan

From creation to 1830, it is reported, that the world population crawled to one billion. In the next 100 years the number moved ahead to two billion. But during the next 40 years the population leaped. By the year 2000 - barring a world disaster - the figure should be six billion. presently the population is increasing 60 million a year. Presently the population in the United States has one birth every 7 1/2 seconds and only one death every 17 seconds. This gives the United States a net increase of one person every 12 seconds.

Christianity, keeping up with the pace in the population race? No, population is outstripping Christian growth in all denominations at the tragic ratio of 6 to 1. It is reported that by the year 2000 that if the population grows at the present rate, Christianity will compose less than 2% of the world's population.

Meanwhile, Americans spend 3 billion annually on pets. While humans are dying from spiritual and physical hunger, pets never had it so good. Luxury items for pets now include color shampoos, perfumes and nail polish in ten fashionable shades. But who cares if souls are dying?

Most people say that modern missions began with William Carey in 1792. It was through Carey that there came an outburst of general missionary zeal and effort such as had not been seen since the days of the apostles. It was the inauguration of a new era of united, organized, systematic operations which have continued.

But the date of Christian missions goes back to 44 A.D. when the Holy Ghost said, "Separate me Barnabas and Saul for the work whereunto I have called them." However, Mark tells us that many people had an active part in the extension of the gospel. Many went because of the persecution that scattered the church. The people who were present at the

first Pentecost went back home to many distant lands giving testimony. What happened at Antioch in the act of the church was different than anything that had happened before.

Glover in his book, *The Progress of World Wide Missions* defined Christian Missions as "the proclamation of the Gospel to the unconverted everywhere according to the command of Christ." Missions implies three essential factors, viz., a sender, one sent, one to whom sent. At Antioch the church was sending Paul and Barnabas to be spokesmen on behalf of the church. The group gave support in a spiritual way to the missionaries.

Some people have developed a unique attitude toward missions that creates a false front to service. Albert Schweitzer, missionary musician, biographer, philosopher, and surgeon, turned his back on wealth and prestige when he sailed from Africa in 1913. An old abandoned hen house was his first hospital, an old camp bed his first operating table. On the trip to the United States, a reporter asked him, "Dr. Schweitzer, have you found happiness in Africa?" He replied, "I have found a place of service, and that is enough happiness for anyone."

The mission of the church is to give. To give its young adults in service. To give its support in money to keep the life line extended. Hildale Park Presbyterian Church in Cedar Knolls, New Jersey, is typically suburban. Confronted with growing pains, members planned to build a fancier and larger building. A building fund drive raised \$18,000. Then Hildale Presbyterian ceased to follow the pattern of most suburban churches. Elder A. L. Behrens, a boiler salesman asked politely, "How can we justify spending so much money on ourselves when Christians in other parts of the world have a greater need." The pastor, Rev. A. L. McGinnis, and members pondered and prayed about the question. They decided to give their building fund - every cent of it - to build a new wing on a mission hospital at Rio Verde, Brazil.

The Christian church decided to take the message out to all the world. It was a step taken under the guidance of the Holy Spirit. At Antioch where there was a crossroads for the world, many people of different backgrounds discovered "togetherness" in Christ. The success of Cyprus showed to the church that the career had no turning back. Up to this time Paul is called Saul. As he fully accepted his mission as the apostle to the Gentiles, he determines to use only his Gentile name. This indicates a change in the life of Paul. From the written record it seems that Paul also assumed the leadership of the expedition.

A good example of the preaching of Paul is given in Acts 13:16-41. It appears that the elements of the sermon are the same as what other preachers of the new church presented. (1) The coming of Jesus is the consummation of history. (2) Paul states the fact that men did not recognize God's consummation when it came in Jesus Christ. (3) The hatred that rejected and crucified Jesus could defeat God and the resurrection is the proof of the undefeatable purpose and power of God. (4) Jesus fulfills the Old Testament prophecy. (5) The gospel is the good news that Jesus came and what he said is the same. (6) The rejection of God's love and Son is condemnation.

This sermon is the message of missions. It can be preached over and over. It is the needed message of every land.



Salem Adds Annex

The Salem Church of Lauderdale Association is adding a new two story annex consisting of six class rooms upstairs with a recreation room on bottom floor. The new annex is to be completed in 3 to 4 weeks. Rev. Jerry R. McMullen is pastor.

Clarke College Women's Dorm Has A "Masculine" Resident

A young man from Alaska has taken up residence in the Woman's Dormitory on the campus of Clarke College, Newton.



Miss Moore and Stanley

The young fellow, who is a bit wooden, has only one name and sleeps in a trunk! "Stanley," belongs to Miss Darby Moore, a Clarke Freshman, who is a talented ventriloquist.

"Stanley" traveled from Alaska with Darby earlier this summer when she came south to enroll for the summer sessions at The Mississippi Baptist Junior College. When asked how the heat of Mississippi affects him, "Stanley" replied, "It isn't too bad - I sleep all day anyway!"

The talented Miss Moore, daughter of a Kenai, Alaska Baptist pastor, was last year's runner-up for Alaska's Junior Miss, and she has already made a place for herself by her friendly manner and pleasant attitude among her peers on Clarke's campus.

check on her progress this summer reveals a fine academic standing in both classes she is taking.

"According to Darby, she is 'delighted' to be in Mississippi, and finds life here slower-paced than that in Alaska where the summer temperature hovers at about 70 degrees!

Guyton To Serve

JEFFERSON CITY, TENN. — Dr. Walter R. Guyton, academic dean at Carson - Newman College, will serve as president of the dean's group of the association of Southern Baptist Colleges at the annual meeting June 19-21 at William Jewell College in Liberty, Mo.

Philadelphia Homecoming

Homecoming was observed at Philadelphia Church, Lincoln County, on Sunday, June 11. Rev. Edd Gandy, former pastor, was guest speaker at the morning service. Special music was provided by the pastor and his wife, Rev. and Mrs. T. W. Marlowe. Lunch was served at the church.

HALF OF ALL BIRTHS in Washington, D. C. by 1973 will be out of wedlock. Rate went up from 19.8% in 1960 to 37% in 1969, more than 70% of all births to teen-agers in the city were of unmarried mothers. (Source: Washington, D. C. Department of Human Resources.)

16,000 Attend Verona Crusade

Over 16,000 attended the Crusade in Verona Church, according to the pastor, Dr. Paul Wilson.

Over 150 accepted Christ in Crusade led by Evangelist Freddie Gage. On Friday over 3000 attended the tent meeting.

The evangelist's sermons are accompanied by the singing of Jerry Wayne Bernard, who also conducted Bible classes during the mornings of the Crusade.

Dr. Wilson says that Evangelist Gage faces the issues of this generation with an honesty that is unusual and highly recommends him.

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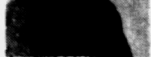
Devotional

Think On These Things

By Sarah A. Rouse, Faculty, Mississippi College

Finally, brethren, whatever things are true, whatever things are honest, whatever things are just, whatever things are pure, whatever things are lovely, whatever things are of good report; if there be any virtue, and if there be any praise, think on these things." (Philippians 4:8)

The ability to think is one of God's most precious gifts to man; it sets him apart from other forms of life. The use man makes of this gift determines who he is and who he will be. Ralph Waldo Emerson said, "man is what he thinks about all day long." One does eventually become the sum total of all his experiences, which are largely determined by the quality of thinking he does all along the way. Paul was aware of this truth and wrote to the Christians at Philippi to remind them how important it was to think upon the right things: the eternal, universal, basic truth by which one must live or he will bring on his own destruction.



Victor Hugo said many years ago, "There is a force greater than the force of armies; it is the force of an idea that has come into its time." Every deed starts with an idea which is conceived by the process of thinking. Great men, beautiful paintings, inspiring literature, great music, magnificent art pieces, and useful institutions have enriched our lives because uncommon men and women thought and came through with creative ideas.

Paul declares, in the fourth chapter of his letter to the Philippians, that if one wants to live the full and good life, he must guard his thoughts. He then points up some old universal truths which we must think on, or miss the mark in seeking the abundant life which God so much wants us to have. Whatever things are true, honest, just, pure, lovely, and of good report—think on these things. Today, industrialists, scientists, fiction writers, teachers, and ministers are admonishing us to return to the acknowledged truths which lead to worthwhile living. Mississippi's only Nobel Prize winner said in his acceptance speech, "He (the writer must teach himself that the base of all things is to be afraid; and, teaching himself that, forget it forever, leaving no room in the workshop for anything but the old verities and truths of the heart, the old universal truths lacking which any story is ephemeral and doomed." An industrialist, participating in a committee meeting in Jackson recently, at every opportunity reminded the group that materialism is eating the heart out of America, and that the only solution to our dilemma, caused by misplaced values, is to return to the basic values of honesty, courage, understanding, purity, and integrity—without which we will all perish.

Jesus put a high premium on TRUTH when he said, "I am the way, the truth, and the life; no man cometh unto the Father but by me." (John 14:6) If Christ dwells in one's heart, he will be and speak truth. A truthful man is an HONEST man. A man is not a truthful man because he tells the truth; he speaks the truth because he is truthful. The opposite of this is true too, of course. "Tell the truth and you will not have to remember what you said," is an old saying which seems a bit puzzling at first, but there is a great wisdom in it.

Think on things which are PURE, Paul advises. Purity is defined as cleanliness, spotlessness, freedom from defilement—and is regarded to be a much higher quality than innocence. When man knows no evil, he is innocent; but when he knows evil and refuses to become corrupted by it, he is pure. The people who strive to keep their lives healthy, physically, mentally, socially, and spiritually are going to be concerned with JUSTICE, things that are of GOOD REPORT and things that are LOVELY as they effect every area of their lives. They are able to successfully do this only if THEY THINK ON THEM." For as he thinketh in his heart, so is he," wrote the author of Proverbs (23:7) of all mankind.

Concerning gossip: Fire goes out when fuel gives out (Prov. 26:20).

God has given us a will to choose His will.

Fulfill God's will—and be king! Have your own way—and fail!

The Gospel never converts all, but it "calls out" some.

Be not only good; be good for something.

A lot of good behavior is due to poor health.



Homecoming Time In Mississippi

The Homecoming Day held at Mountain Creek Church, Route 3, Florence, in Rankin County, was typical of the many homecomings held in Mississippi every summer. A large crowd gathered for Sunday school and morning worship and remained to enjoy an extremely bounteous dinner on the grounds (see two top photos) and singings in the afternoon. The homecoming offering goal at Mountain Creek was \$1,200. Offerings received totaled \$1,400, plus the promise of still more to come. This offering will go toward a new roof and for painting the woodwork on the church and upkeep of the cemetery. The Homecoming Committee in the bottom photo are, left to right: Mrs. Vance Dyess; Mr. and Mrs. Carthel Sandifer; Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Dear; and Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Barrett; and (not pictured) Mr. Eddie Dear, chairman, and Mrs. Eddie Dear. Rev. Vance Dyess, pastor, is in the middle photo, second man from the right. (Because of space limitations, the Baptist Record cannot promise to use other pictures of homecomings. This one is printed as representative of many.)

Catledge Is Speaker At MC Seminar

The former executive editor of the New York Times told a Mississippi College audience here "that people are losing confidence in both their government and their information media."

Turner Catledge, a native Mississippian, addressed the American Studies Seminar now in progress, on the relationship of the government and the press following a news conference in which he declared the image of Mississippi is vastly improving.

"The trend toward secrecy in government has reached alarming proportions in the past two decades," said Catledge, and he saw no ready way to reverse it.

"Only by ruling out secrecy at some occasional risk in cost of public policy can the public restrain the tendency," claimed the veteran newspaperman.

"If the press and congress are more effectively restrained by law or custom, or both, the government must seize to publish much of that which it now does publish."

Catledge told his audience that he felt much of what the government offers the public voluntarily now, is not voluntary at all. He claimed it was offered only in the fear of being caught.

He foresees the conflict between the government and the press as a subject of increasing concern in the next few months.

Telling the American Studies Seminar participants that it is reported that the Nixon administration is preparing to launch a new all-out attack on the press led by Vice President Spiro Agnew, he said he had



Turner Catledge (right), a native Mississippian and former executive editor of the New York Times, was the guest lecturer for the American Studies Seminar at Mississippi College this week. He spoke on the relationship of the government and the press. Questioning him concerning his remarks are, from the left, Michael Guice, Meadville, Mrs. Linda Hardy, Jackson, and Mrs. Harriett Simmons, Jackson. (M. C. Photo by Bill Strange)

never seen a trickier administration in the dealings with the press.

"Presidential press conferences have become a machine for political propaganda rather than a conduit for information," said the former Times editor.

He claimed the control of news from the federal government was nothing new, however, stating that it dates all

the way back to George Washington. He said that Andrew Jackson and Franklin D. Roosevelt were the most successful presidents in controlling the news flow.

Speaking about the Times' release last year on the here-to-fore confidential Pentagon Papers which caused quite a furor between the press and the government, he said

the Times has been vindicated over and over and even won the Pulitzer Prize for the publication.

"The public has survived, foreign relations have not been upset (as evidenced by Nixon's visit to Russia), and public scholars and historians have all been well served."

The Pentagon Paper story has released a lot of government documents that were previously "classified" information, the speaker reported.

"In sheer public interest, the media must never relinquish its pressure for information to pass on to the public, but it should apply that effort with intelligence, with more responsibility, and higher purpose," said Catledge. "Aggressiveness on the part of the news man just for aggressiveness is not enough. The news man must be able to understand and truly evaluate all points of view different from his own."

Catledge said that each side should learn to trust each other. "Government and press have many reasons to cooperate with each other and, in more instances than not, they do."

Student Unit Names Consultant In Interracial Work

NASHVILLE (BP)—A consultant in interracial ministries has been named by the Southern Baptist Sunday School Board's National Student Ministries, effective Sept. 1.

John H. Westbrook, the newly named consultant, also will become the first black professional staff member for National Student Ministries.

A native of Texas, Westbrook is currently director of the escalator program at Southwest Missouri State College in Springfield, Mo. The program is designed to help students who finished in the lower 25 per cent of their high school graduating classes to improve their learning skills on the college level.

Westbrook, who has appeared with the Billy Graham Crusades and the Bill Glass crusades in recent months, has also served on the national staff of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes.

He is a graduate of Baylor University, Waco, Tex., and attended Midwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Kansas City, Mo. While at Baylor, he was the first black athlete to play varsity football in the Southwest Conference.

"John Westbrook will assist with the general promotion of Baptist Student work, giving major attention to

BMC Lists Officers Of Three Campus Extra Curricular Groups

Blue Mountain College has no sororities but three extra-curricular groups—Eumorian, Euzelian, and Modenian, traditionally known as Societies. Through these groups, students promote intra-mural team sports, talent, programs, and annual Rush Week, during which time members of each Society vie for new members from the freshman class and transfer students.

Leading in all activities of the Eumorian Society for the 1972-73 session are the following officers: President, Marilyn Lamphere, Tupelo; vice-president, Mary Smith, Harriman, Tenn.; secretary, Judy Caples, Vardaman; treasurer, Mary Margaret Ball, Franklin, Tenn.; program chairman, Ann McKinney, Fayetteville, Tenn.; and Pam Wilcox, Fayette, Iowa; athletic director, Joanne Pryor, Jacksonville, Fla.; pianist, Sandy Strickland, Baldwin; goddess, Joy Hurt, Memphis; social chairman, Debbie Conley, McComb; devotional chairman, Wanda Weatherly, Fulton, Ala.; and photographer, Jan Tucker, Jackson.

Euzelian Society Officers are: President, Mary Carmen McCulley, Tupelo; vice-president, Liz Young, Corinth; secretary, Bonnie Byrd, Fayetteville, Tenn.; treasurer, Kathy Justice, Eupora; program chairman, Verna Catha, Picaune; and Dee Satterwhite, Bay Springs; social chairman, Deloris Green, Fayetteville, Tenn.; Athletic Director, Glen Bearden, Clayton, Ga.; Queen Euzelia, Cindy Rhodes, Richmond, Va.; Photographer, Annette Wells, Memphis; pianist, Anita Crump, Memphis; devotional chairman, Judy McCormick, Memphis.

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Memphis; secretary, Sarah Wofford, Drew; treasurer, Nona Kay Middleton, Eupora; program chairman, Randi Wasson, Greenville; and Cindy Sullivan, Byhalia; social chairman, June Higginbottom, West Palm Beach, Fla.; athletic director, Patricia Lynn Smith, Somerville, Tenn.; devotional chairman, Leonora Bowen, New Carrollton, Md.; pianist, Susan Bell, Memphis; Marquise of the Rose, Deborah Carter, Blue Mountain, and Photographer, Cindy Sullivan, Byhalia.

Cuba Missioner Dies: Fails To Realize Dream

WAYCROSS, Ga. (BP)—Christine Garnett, Southern Baptist missionary to Cuba for 46 years, died here June 9 without realizing her dream.

All her life, she wanted to be buried, not in her native land, but in her adopted home—Cuba.

She went to Cuba as a Southern Baptist home missionary in 1918 and worked on the island for 46 years.

Although she was officially retired from the SBC Home Mission board in 1952, she continued her mission work there until 1964 when she was forced to leave Cuba by Fidel Castro's communist regime.

She died here at Baptist Village after abdominal surgery, and was buried, not in Cuba, but in Savannah, Ga. where she grew up.

After leaving Cuba in 1964, she wrote the following for the Home Missions Magazine of June 1965: "Now it seems that there is no way to return (to Cuba), but I, like Livingston, would wish that my heart might be taken back and buried in Cuba when God calls me on."

This is the result of 46 years and four months across the Gulf. I still have a small hope of returning." She continued to work with the people she loved, however, helping Cuban refugees in Jacksonville, Fla., in 1965, and serving as a special assigned missionary for the SBC Home Mission Board in world missions and other conferences.

Before appointment as a missionary in 1918, she taught school for 12 years.

Big Spring Church Plans Homecoming And Revival

Big Springs Church (Lincoln) Homecoming will be July 2, with services on Sunday at 11:00 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. with dinner on the ground. All former pastors are invited to attend.

Revival services will also begin that day and go through Friday night. Services will be 7:00 a.m. and 7:30 p.m. The pastor and congregation extends a welcome to everyone. Rev. Hilton Coward is pastor.

Revival Dates

Linwood Church, Neshoba: July 16-21; Rev. Virgil Holway, pastor of Pole Creek Church, Candler, N. C., evangelist; Carney Smith of Brookhaven, song K. Richardson, pastor.

Rock Bluff (Smith): June 25-30; Rev. Vance Dyess, pastor of Mountain Creek Church, evangelist; Wayne McGee, song leader; 7:30 p.m.; Rev. Curtis McGee, pastor.

Bethel Church, Whitfield Road (Rankin): July 9-14; Rev. J. D. Scott, Alexandria, La., evangelist; Jack Haskins, song leader; services at 10 a.m. and 7:30 p.m.; dinner on the ground following the morning service; Rev. Elton Moore, pastor.

Vicar, Wife Baptized

An Anglican vicar and his wife have been baptized at a service at Carey Baptist Church, Reading, Berkshire, England. The service was conducted by the Baptist minister there, Selwyn Morgan.

The vicar, John Williams, of Chelsey, Berkshire, in the diocese of Oxford, is leaving the Church of England though he says he will continue in the ministry.

Pinson To Lecture

Dr. William Pinson, associate professor of Christian ethics at Southwestern Baptist Seminary, Fort Worth, Tex., will be one of the lecturers at the third annual Pastors' Institute Aug. 7-11 at Georgetown College in Kentucky.

Dr. Pinson's lectures at the Institute will deal with the theme: "Churches in Creative Ministry."

REVIVAL RESULTS

Coila Church (Carroll): June 4-10; Rev. Marion Holley, Money, evangelist; 9 saved; 15 dedicating their life anew; Rev. A. H. Alderman, pastor.

the development of Baptist Student Unions on the 105 formerly all-black campuses in the country," said Charles Roselle, secretary of National Student Ministries.

"He will work in close cooperation with black churches and conventions and with the SBC Home Mission Board and will assist the state departments of student work when needed," Roselle said.

Off The Record

A sincere and earnest layman had an unfortunate habit of bellowing, especially when he prayed in public. After one of his loud prayers during which the rafters were almost put into vibration, a little girl who was present whispered to her father: "Father, don't you think if he lived nearer to God he would not have to talk so loud?"

Tit for Tat

The farmer had been taken in so many times by the local car dealer that when the dealer wanted to buy a cow, the farmer priced it to him like this:

Basic cow, \$200; Two-tone extra, \$45; Extra stomach, \$75; Produce storage compartment, \$60; Dispensing device, four spigots at \$10 each, \$40; Genuine cowhide upholstery, \$125; Dual horns, \$15 Automatic fly swatter, \$35.—Total, \$595. — Arkansas Baptist Newsmagazine.

And Quickly!

The waitress came up to the table. "I have broiled tongue, fried liver, stewed kidneys, and pigs' feet," she announced to the customer.

The customer replied, "Don't tell me your troubles; just bring me a poached egg on toast and a glass of milk."

McDonald And White Are Honored

PHILADELPHIA, June 7—Erwin L. McDonald of Little Rock, Ark., and J. R. White of Montgomery, Ala., received the first annual Alumni of the Year awards from the national alumni association of Southern Seminary in ceremonies here during the Southern Baptist Convention. McDonald, the recently-retired editor of the Arkansas Baptist Newsmagazine, is now religion editor of the Arkansas Democrat, a Little Rock daily newspaper. White is pastor of Montgomery's First Baptist Church.

Sparkman To Teach At Midwestern

Trustees of Midwestern Baptist Seminary have elected G. Temp Sparkman as associate professor of religious education and church administration. Sparkman, who has been serving as the minister of education at Creighton Hill Baptist Church, Louisville, Ky., will begin his teaching duties July 1.

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Bible Adventures Illustrated



GOD ASKED: HAVE YOU EATEN FRUIT FROM THE TREE I WARNED YOU ABOUT?

"YES, BUT IT WAS THE WOMAN WHO GAVE IT TO ME."

WHEN GOD SAID TO THE WOMAN, "YOU SHALL BEAR CHILDREN IN PAIN AND SUFFERING, AND YOU SHALL WELCOME YOUR HUSBAND'S AFFECTION, AND HE SHALL BE YOUR MASTER."